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Briefly

Talk on strokes

If you have experienced a stroke, are the family member of a stroke victim, a concerned friend or caregiver, St. Elizabeth Medical Center is offering a program designed for you.

Neurologist Riaz Naseer, MD, is featured at a series of talks on "Coping with Stroke: The Patient and Family."

The next talk will be held Wednesday, June 2, from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Extend-Care Solarium, third floor, Binney Wing at SEMC, 2100 Madison Ave. Sessions are held each first Wednesday.

Space is limited, and registration is required for the series. To register, persons may call 788-5201.

Naseer will discuss deficits, post-stroke depression, visual problems, relationships with family, dealing with family, and how to cope.

He received his medical degree at the Dow Medical School in Karachi, Pakistan. He interned at Deaconess, St. Louis, had a fellowship at Barnes Hospital and served as assistant professor at St. Louis U. He has been medical director of the Extend-Care Rehabilitation Unit since its opening in 1985.

Naseer has offices in Suite 25, Wolf Medical Building, 204 Madison Ave.

Special session

There will be a special meeting of the Venice Township Board of Trustees at 7 tonight at the Township Hall, 1592 Fifth St., Madison.

The purpose is to authorize the submission of Madison County Community Development funding applications.

Deaths

Elvin Kendall

Ralph Crone

Lorton Hunter

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Lottery

Results in Illinois were:

May 26: 2-50; Pick 4: 6-4-3-3

Little Lotto Game: 00-10-28-30

Lottery Game: 11-17-25-43-47-49

The jackpot was estimated at \$8 million.

May 25: 0-0-2; Pick 4: 1-4-3-2

May 24: 0-0-8; Pick 4: 8-3-1-1

Little Lotto Game: 01-16-21-22-27

May 23: 0-4-3; Pick 4: 5-6-2-0

May 22: 0-6-1; Pick 4: 6-4-2-5

Lottery Game: 04-09-28-37-40-47

75 years ago

May 29, 1918

The rear of the Granite City Bowling Alley was wrecked when the Phillips, vice president of the Labor Temple building downtown. Workers had been underpinning the bowling alley foundation but failed to brace it properly.

Trivia

Who is the First Lady of Heavy Metal?

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Cute as a button — Eva Hansel, a resident at Colonial Care Center, snuggles with a baby goat that was visiting the nursing home during "Down on the Farm" Days. See Page 3A for more photos.

Police cruiser

Forfeiture nets white Corvette for police department, DARE program

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

At no expense to the taxpayers, the Granite City Police Department has a new squad car.

It's not a 'Vette any more. It's a police car," Chief Jim Lengyel said Wednesday.

Specifically, the car is "squad 15."

The car, a white 1987 Chevrolet Corvette convertible with about 40,000 miles under its wheels, was confiscated by the department in August 1992 and the department took ownership under federal drug forfeiture laws. The car made its official public debut last night in the Aired Temple Shrine Circus Parade.

"We've confiscated several other cars in the past. But this is the first high-profile vehicle, and we decided to use it for public relations," said assistant chief

Dave Ruebhausen.

Other confiscated vehicles have been used in undercover operations, he said. The car will be used by Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) officer Walter Milton Jr. and in public relations-related events.

Ruebhausen took the car out for a test drive on Tuesday and received a number of catcalls from pedestrians, he said.

"A lady made a sarcastic comment about our tax dollars at work," Ruebhausen said.

"We want to make it clear that the taxpayers didn't pay a penny for the car."

The car was confiscated after one-tenth of a gram of crack cocaine and cigarette containing four-tenths of a gram of a substance containing cannabidiol were discovered in the vehicle at 9 p.m. Aug. 31, 1992 during a routine traffic stop in the downtown

area, according to a police report.

The driver of the car, a 32-year-old Collinsville man, was charged with unlawful possession of a controlled substance. Ruebhausen said he did not know the disposition of the case.

Admittedly, it wasn't a large seizure. The guy lost his car for having less than \$25 worth of "rock," Ruebhausen said.

During the traffic stop, the arresting officer became suspicious when the driver was shaking and acting nervous, the report states.

K-9 officer Max was called to the scene after a hand-rolled cigarette was found in the front seat. Max discovered the small "rock" of crack cocaine in the arm rest on the driver's side door, and found a small metal pipe under the front seat, the report states.

A police radio and red light have been added to the car.

Aldermen order two investigations

By Mike Myers
Staff writer

Madison aldermen were in an inquiring mood Tuesday, calling for separate investigations involving the Venice Police Department and a street department employee.

Alderman Norris Horton, chairman of the Police Committee, called for the city's police board to investigate "information I have received" that Venice is using police officers who are not state-qualified.

Because the Madison and Venice police departments have a mutual-aid agreement, Horton said, if the information is correct, it would be possible that unqualified police officers could be making arrests in Madison.

"This could make our police and the entire city liable for damages if one of these unqualified police officers makes a mistake that results in a lawsuit," Horton said.

Horton also asked that, if Venice is found to be using unqualified officers, the city suspend its mutual-aid agreement with Venice until all of Venice's officers have been qualified.

The aldermen unanimously agreed to call for the investigation and Madison Police Chief Charlie Bridick said it is "common practice" for some area departments to use part-time officers who, by state law, are only required to have completed 40-hour firearm training.

"Take a place like Fairmont (See INVESTIGATE, Page 8A)

Madison to declare war on alley trash

By Mike Myers
Staff writer

High weeds, trash and piles of junk awaiting pickup have become a characteristic of alleys throughout Madison, but city officials said it will not be a permanent condition.

In just the 3rd Ward, Alderman John Hamm said, there are "10 to 12 tandem (truck) loads" of junk stacked up in the alleys.

Mayor John Bellico said he, Alderman Ron Grzywacz, chairman of the Street and Alley Committee, and Street Superintendent Robbie Robbins have spent the past two weeks going through the city.

Bellico said the rest of the city's alleys are not much better.

"It makes me sick just to look at them," Bellico said. "The condition of our alleys is deplorable."

Grzywacz said he has been studying street department operations since being appointed chairman two weeks ago and said, "There are definitely big problems with the street department."

But Grzywacz said he would rather have those problems discussed in closed session. The street department is understaffed due to the city's current financial squeeze.

Hamm said that, during snowstorms, the city had declared an emergency and called back, to help clear the streets, workers who had been laid off Dec. 31.

"Can't we call this an emergency and call back a couple (of workers) to get (the alleys) under hand?" Hamm asked.

Bellico said that, while calling back the workers is a possibility that has not been ruled out, he believes that other problems with the street department's ability to perform its duties also need to be addressed.

Grzywacz said an example of the problem was the neighborhood cleanup on Saturday, May

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Koberna promoted to captain

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

Former Lt. Roy Koberna of the Granite City Police Department was officially promoted to the rank of captain Wednesday.

On Tuesday night, the Granite City Council unanimously authorized the promotion of one lieutenant to the rank of captain.

Police Chief Jim Lengyel said he received notification from the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners on Wednesday morning that Koberna got the nod.

Koberna, who has been with the department 22½ years, had previously been a lieutenant in the detective division. He was promoted to sergeant in 1979 and to lieutenant in 1985.

He is a former Granite City School Board president and was an unsuccessful candidate for city clerk last month.

Koberna was first on the department's standing promotion list to captain.

Lengyel said that the promotion is the final step in his command structure reorganization plan.

In addition to the chief, the department now has an assistant chief (Dave Rueb-

hausen), two captains (Koberna and Kip Pomeroy) and three lieutenants (Denny Chenualt, Denny Joyce and Steve Willard).

Under the previous administration, the department had a chief, assistant chief, three captains and four lieutenants.

Lengyel, a captain until early this month, was named to replace former chief Don Knight upon his retirement. Ruebhausen was also a captain until last week, when he was appointed by Mayor Ron Selph to the assistant chief position.

The assistant chief position had been vacant since Selph's retirement in September 1991.

Koberna will be responsible for supervision of the detective division. Pomeroy will supervise the patrol division.

Ruebhausen, in addition to his duties as assistant chief, will be in charge of the service division, Lengyel said.

While the command structure reorganization is now complete, Lengyel is still hoping for a new patrolman.

"I'm counting on them to not let the department (manning) go any lower than it already is," he said.

While the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners used to automatically promote to fill vacancies, the City Council voted in 1991 to eliminate the police manning table from the city's municipal code.

The action in effect allows the aldermen and police chief to decide if promotions and hiring are needed or desirable.

Similarly, the City Council eliminated the fire department manning table from the municipal code earlier this month.

Public invited to Memorial Day services at St. John Cemetery

At 10 a.m. Saturday American flags will be placed on the graves of all veterans buried at St. John Cemetery in Granite City.

The flags are being placed by members of the American Legion Post 113 and Auxiliary of Madison, AMVETS Post 294 and Auxiliary of Madison, Disabled American Veterans Chapter 53 and Auxiliary of Granite City, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1290 and Auxiliary of Granite City, AMVETS Post 31 and Auxiliary of Granite City, American Legion Post 307 and Auxiliary of Venice-Madison, and Vietnam Veterans of America in Madison.

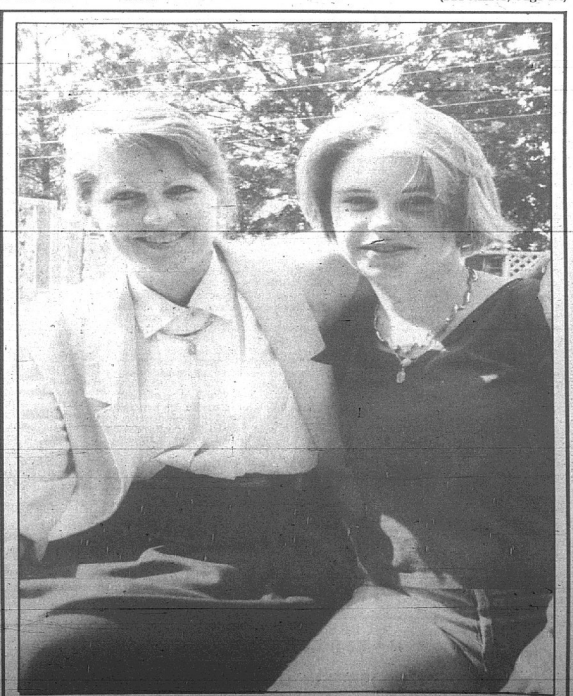
Two days later, on Monday, May 31, the following events are scheduled:

Placing of reefs on the memorial at the Granite City Hall by AMVETS Post 113 and Auxiliary of Granite City.

Memorial Day services at Greater Granite City Area War Memorial Park at Madison and Niedringhaus Avenues, at 10 a.m.

The Memorial Day services are being conducted by the United Veterans Organization, which are made up of all the veteran's organizations in the Quad-City area.

The public is invited and encouraged to attend all three of the special events.



(Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)

Buddies — Gail Valle, left, and Mathilde Pommier of Brioude, France, have enriched each other's lives over the last year. Today's Lifestyle page tells the story of Mathilde's year in America as an exchange student and the feelings of a students' host parent. See Page 5A.

Drug found in home

A 30-year-old Lincoln Place man was charged with drug possession Thursday, May 20, after agents from the Metropolitan Enforcement Group of Southwestern Illinois had executed a search warrant at his home earlier that day.

Gregory Garcia, of the 1700 block of Walnut Street, was charged with unlawful possession of cannabis with the intent to deliver it in a MEGSI warrant issued Thursday.

Police executed a search warrant at the home at 2:16 a.m. May 20, according to police records.

Godfrey man arrested

Jeffrey A. Heinz, 21, of Godfrey was arrested at 2:28 a.m. May 22 for driving under the influence of alcohol, illegal transportation of alcohol and improper lane usage.

An officer reported seeing a blue Chevrolet Blazer cross the double yellow line into oncoming traffic in the 2300 block of Madison Avenue.

Heinz, the driver, took three field sobriety tests, and a breath analysis test and was charged.

An open can of beer was found on the vehicle's floorboard, according to a police report.

Four charges are filed

Patrick A. Sanders, 27, of the 1500 block of Clark Avenue, was arrested at 12:38 a.m. May 22 for driving under the influence of alcohol, improper lane usage, driving without insurance and driving while his license is revoked.

An officer reported seeing a red 1984 Dodge pickup truck cross the center line on Nameoki Road near East 27th Street.

Sanders, the driver, took three field sobriety tests, refused to take a breath analysis test and was charged.

Woman pounded on head

Robert A. Mohr, 34, of the 1400 block of Madison Avenue, was arrested at 11:31 p.m. May 21 for domestic battery.

Mohr allegedly grabbed a 23-year-old woman by the hair, pounded her head against a wall and punched her in the face, according to a police report.

2 golf carts damaged

Bill Engeltke told police that two golf carts were taken from the Legacy Golf Club sometime during the night of May 21-22. The carts were later recovered, but had been extensively damaged, according to a police report.

Early-morning golfers told Engeltke they had seen some youths driving one of the carts near Interstate 255 at about 6 a.m., the report states.

Several county residents named in May warrants

Several Madison County residents were named in felony warrants issued by Madison County State's Attorney William Haine this month. Those named include:

Russell S. Harned, 20, of the 1100 block of McCambridge in Madison, charged with one count of burglary and one count of theft under \$300.

Granite City police allege that on May 13 Harned intended to steal a white 1989 GMC Carryall and a Craftsman circular saw. He was in custody in lieu of \$25,000 bond.

Tina Johnson, 26, of the second block of McCambridge in Madison, Jason Lee Donaldson, 18, of the 2300 block of Benton Street in Granite City, and Michael P. Dietrich, 19, of the 2100 block of Cleveland Boulevard in Granite City, all charged with burglary.

Granite City police allege that the three entered the Granite City Burger King on May 13 with the intent to commit a theft. Bail was set at \$30,000 each.

Nicholas C. Jakich, 24, of the first block of Lilac in Edwardsville, charged with unlawful possession of cannabis with an intent to deliver.

Glen Carbon police allege that Jakich possessed more than 500 grams of cannabis on April 18. Bond was set at \$40,000.

Jeffrey S. Lambert, 24, of the 2200 block of Lincoln in Granite City, charged with two counts of forgery.

Police allege that Lambert forged two checks on March 26 and March 30 totaling about \$1,500. Bail was set at \$20,000.

Granite City**DUI arrest on Benton**

Robert E. Gaughan, 39, of the 1600 block of Edison Avenue, was arrested at 3:25 a.m. May 23 for driving under the influence of alcohol and failing to signal when required.

An officer reported seeing a tan 1974 Dodge Dart turn onto Benton Street from 27th Street without first signaling.

Gaughan, the driver, took two field sobriety tests, declined to take a breath analysis test and was charged.

Slapped, hit on head

Randy E. Ifland, 32, of the 2400 block of Grand Avenue, was arrested at 1:31 a.m. May 23 for domestic battery.

Ifland allegedly pulled the hair of his 33-year-old girlfriend, slapped her in the face and struck her on the top of her head, according to a police report.

Crash nets DUI charge

Michelle L. Ziebel, 24, of St. Louis was arrested at 6:04 p.m. May 22 for driving under the influence of alcohol, improper lane usage and operating an uninsured vehicle.

An officer responding to a one-car accident at Highway 3 and Niedringhaus Avenue reported finding a severely damaged black 1981 Mercury Capri in the middle of Niedringhaus Avenue and Ziebel sitting at the curb.

Ziebel was taken by ambulance to St. Elizabeth Medical Center. A paramedic found Ziebel was driving when she lost control of her car, northbound on Highway 3. The car hit the median, went airborne and came to rest in a westbound lane of Niedringhaus, according to a police report.

Resisting is alleged

Donald D. Jolly, 26, of the 2000 block of Cleveland Boulevard, was arrested at 11:15 a.m. May 22 for assault and resisting arrest.

Officers dispatched to a disturbance in the 1400 block of Kirkpatrick Homes found Jolly yelling and screaming in a ransacked apartment, according to a police report.

Jolly allegedly threatened the female occupant of the apartment, struck and cracked the windshield on a squad car and resisted officers when they tried to place handcuffs on him, the report states.

Jolly was subdued with pepper mace and was lodged pending bail.

John W. Holik, 47, of the 1100 block of Niedringhaus Avenue in Granite City, charged with an aggravated DUI and one count of driving while his license was suspended.

Police allege that Holik was driving his 1988 Ford truck on May 13 in Granite City while under the influence and without a valid license. Bail was set at \$40,000.

Sandra L. Springer, 24, of the 2900 block of Illinois 111 in Granite City was charged with receiving about \$150 of Collinsville Police allege that Springer stole merchandise from the 7-11 Bluff Shift in Collinsville on May 8. Bail was set at \$20,000.

Michele Harper, 19, of Tower Lake Apartments in Edwardsville was charged with disorderly conduct. Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville Police allege that Harper made a false bomb threat to a SIUE dispatcher on May 10. Bond was set at \$5,000.

Emily J. Alford, 17, of the eighth block of Randle Street in Edwardsville, was charged with receiving about \$150 of Collinsville Police allege that Alford wrote two fraudulent checks totaling about \$150 to Glick's and Walgreen's. Bail was set at \$15,000.

Barry D. Forshee, 31, of the 2700 block of Grand Avenue in Granite City, was charged with two counts of forgery. Granite City police allege that Forshee wrote two fraudulent checks to the Madison Currency Exchange totaling about \$200 on April 20 and April 23. Bond was set at \$20,000.

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The family of James Robert Abel, a Pontoon Beach officer with the Madison County Sheriff's Department who died in the line of duty in 1976, receives roses. From left are Carol Epperson, his widow; Bert Abel, his mother; Dan Abel, his brother; and Bob Abel, his father.

Police honor fallen comrades

Law enforcement officials marched to the beat of drums and the keening of bagpipes in honor of fallen comrades in Edwardsville last Thursday.

More than three dozen Madison County employees and police officers gathered at the courthouse for a memorial service to pay respects to four officers killed in the line of duty.

Curious faces appeared in shop windows and along Edwardsville's St. Louis Street and Second Street as bagpipes played.

On the courthouse steps, officers, judges, attorneys and county workers solemnly bowed their heads as the names of the officers were read.

The service, sponsored by the Madison County Police Association, paid a special honor to the family of Madison County Sheriff Deputy James Abel, who was killed in a car accident in 1976 on his way to an emergency call.

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"We come to these every year," said Abel's brother, Dan, an officer with the Pontoon Beach Police Department. "It's an honor. It's always real nice."

The Illinois State Police bagpipe band led a procession of officers from the Sheriff's Department to the courtyard between the courthouse and Administration Building.

"Protect and serve" is not just a motto found on police cars and patches, Sheriff Bob Churchill told the gathering.

"It's a summons we live by. Police work is difficult, dangerous and challenging. As officers, we accept the danger and we meet the challenge every day in order to protect our communities."

Officers David McCain, Addes Miller and Arthur Goetting were also honored for making the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty.

McCain was with the Highland Police Department from 1927 to 1930. Miller was with the Alton Police Department from 1920 to

1930. Goetting was a State Police trooper from 1950 to 1951.

These officers have placed their trust in us to continue to serve and protect," Churchill said, "to protect the communities and the public interest."

Bethalto Sgt. Jeff Smith, president of the police association, said the county has been fortunate that only four officers have died in service during the past 60 years.

"The last one we lost was in 1976 so I guess we are fortunate in that respect," he said.

Smith said better safety procedures, equipment, training and awareness programs may have helped keep down police officer deaths.

"We also have more police officers," he said. "Plus, we see more towns working together. The county, state and local departments are always willing to help each other. We work together very well."

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County 5th in toxic releases

SPRINGFIELD — Industries in Madison County said they put about 17.6 million pounds of toxic chemicals into the environment in 1991, a report shows.

The annual toxic chemical report released Monday by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency indicated about half the toxic chemicals produced by plants in the county in 1991 were sent to landfills or other off-site disposal facilities. They accounted for more than 8 million pounds of the toxic chemicals released.

About 3 million pounds of toxic chemicals in Madison County covered under a federal reporting law were put into the air, about 3.7 million pounds released to land at plant sites, about 2.5 million into sewage or wastewater treatment systems and less than 200,000 pounds into water in 1991, the report says.

Four other counties in the state — Cook, St. Clair, Winnebago and Douglas — had more releases in 1991 than Madison County.

The chemicals released in the largest amounts in Madison County in 1991 were copper and compounds, 4.6 million pounds; zinc, 3.5 million pounds; methanol, 2.3 million pounds; carbon disulfide, 2.4 million pounds; arsenic, 2.6 million pounds; and biphenyl, 2.6 million pounds.

Although the report did not list specific plants, other data provided by the IEPA Monday showed Olin Corp. in East Alton had the largest overall release, 4.3 million pounds, of which about 4.2 million pounds went to off-site disposal facilities.

Amoco Petroleum Additives in Wood River reported releases of about 3 million pounds, with about 2.5 million off-site.

Shell Oil Co.'s Wood River Manufacturing Complex had by far the largest reported emissions into the air in the county, about 800,000 pounds.

Other releases were about 1.2 million pounds.

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FACES IN THE CROWD

(Staff photos by
PAM DOEPKEHURD)

Colonial Care Center residents recently were treated to visits from a variety of farm animals during the center's "Down on the Farm" Days. In top left photo, Rupert Haneline holds a baby goat. In top right photo, Mitch Bryant, center, brings a pony, to the delight of Georgia Bulter, left, and Clyde Rogers. In bottom left photo, John Fisher, 85, pets a calf that tries to get a taste of his pants leg. Musical entertainment was provided by a country and western trio, from left, Vernon Cox, George Burris and Melvin Moneymaker.



Farmers putting in long hours planting

Madison County farmer Gene Daiber is driving his tractor at full speed ahead to sow 540 acres of corn.

"It's a mad dash to get corn seed in the ground before another big rain," Daiber said. Many area farmers sowed their first corn Tuesday, six weeks after heavy rains put the brakes on spring planting.

Sun, wind and 80-degree temperatures last weekend dried fields enough to start planting, Daiber said.

Farmers will work around the clock to finish planting by the weekend, said Ray Givlio of the Madison County Agriculture Stabilization and Conservation Service.

"They'll catch a few hours of sleep and be back in the fields at sunrise," he said. "They'll turn on the tractor headlights and plant into the night."

Madison County farmers will plant about 80,000 acres of corn and 110,000 acres of soybeans, about the same as last year, Givlio said.

"A few farmers in the wet bottomland will switch from corn to soybeans this summer," he said.

Nine inches of rain in the last seven weeks soaked 200,000 acres of corn land across the area.

Through Tuesday, more than 19 inches of moisture was recorded this year, 5 inches above normal, said Bill Bryant of the National Weather Service.

"It soaked the farm fields down deep," Bryant said.

Sun and warm temperatures should keep topsoil dry through the weekend, Bryant said.

Wind gusts up to 20 mph whipped up clouds of dust

behind corn planters Tuesday.

Marine farmer Daiber munched on a sandwich and kept his 12-row planter rolling across the fields.

"We're three weeks behind in planting," he said. "Every hour is precious. Every planting day we lose means less corn yields in the fall harvest."

Madison County farmer Gordon Gass will take his new \$100,000 tractor into the cornfield this week.

"I'm trying to kill all the weeds so I can plant corn," Gass said. "Weeds shot up 3 feet tall after the heavy rain."

Gass will spend \$129 an acre to plant 100 acres of corn in the bottomland of Nameoki Township. "It's a big investment in fuel, seed and fertilizer," he said.

— From the Alton Telegraph



Registration deadline for childbirth classes Friday

The Obstetrics Department at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City is offering classes in prepared childbirth for expectant mothers and partners with due dates between Aug. 16 and Sept. 30, 1993. Cost is \$15 if delivering at SEMC and \$35 if delivering elsewhere.

The six-week series of classes includes relaxation and breathing techniques, discussion of labor and delivery, medications, Cesarean births, and introduction to parenting and breastfeeding, and a tour of the OB Department. Pre-registration is required.

Tuesday sessions begin June 1; Wednesday sessions begin June 2; and Thursday sessions begin June 3. All sessions will

meet from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the OB Solarium, on the second floor of the Doctors' Wing at SEMC, 2100 Madison Ave., in Granite City.

Information on a refresher course can be obtained by calling the SEMC Obstetrics Department.

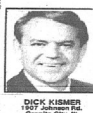
Registration deadline is Friday, May 28. For more information or to register, call the SEMC Obstetrics Department at 798-3040.

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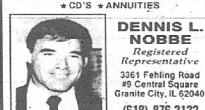
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This office will sometimes receive calls from a person who has lived with a member of the opposite sex without benefit of marriage. In many cases, this unmarried cohabitant will inquire about his or her legal rights to property as a result of the living arrangement. It is important to note in these cases that Illinois does not recognize common-law marriages.

In one recent case, a woman met a man in 1976 and began residing with him during that year. The man suggested that they jointly pay for the construction of a home. He promised his female roommate that someday title to the property would be transferred to their names as joint tenants. He also promised her that if they ever stopped residing together, she would receive one-half of the equity in the home.

Based on these promises, the woman obligated herself to pay a \$48,000 mortgage. For ten years, the woman and the man lived in the home without benefit of marriage and jointly contributed to the mortgage payments.

The man and woman ceased living together in 1988. He never transferred the property into joint tenancy and failed to pay her one-half of the equity in the property as originally promised.

The woman filed suit in circuit court, and she asked the court to find that her former boyfriend breached a contract between the parties by failing to transfer title to the property into joint tenancy. The man asked that the case be dismissed since the Illinois Supreme Court had previously declared that mutual property rights would not be granted to unmarried cohabitants.

The Court in this case held that the woman was not entitled to any interest in the real estate she helped pay for. The Court noted that property disputes between persons who live together without benefit of marriage will not be recognized under Illinois law. The Court stated that if it gave the woman any interest in this real estate, this would be contrary to the public policy in Illinois, which is to strengthen and preserve the integrity of marriage.

It may seem like a harsh result to deny a woman an interest in property when she helped pay for it for ten years. But the lesson to be learned in this case is that unmarried cohabitants should get their name on the deed and not count on their living arrangement to get them an interest in real estate.

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Don't become a statistic

Swimming pools open, the coals get hot on the barbecue pit, people start airing out their camping gear: Memorial Day weekend marks the official beginning of summer. It also brings the return of the somewhat morbid practice of keeping track of how many people are killed in car accidents over the holiday weekends each year. The counting period usually extends from Friday evening to Monday night with statistics available statewide and nationally keeping tabs throughout the weekend.

The reasoning behind assembling such numbers is obvious. The holiday weekends result in hundreds of fatal accidents. By letting people know the scope of the situation, officials may save lives as people drive more safely so as not to become a weekend statistic.

But that task is what is called a reactive approach. Police officials often advocate what they call the proactive approach, addressing a situation before it becomes a problem. That is accomplished nationally, also the week before Memorial Day weekend each year, with the Buckle Up America campaign.

The campaign is launched through local police departments, with the local chief estimating the number of lives saved through seat-belt use and the importance of child-safety restraints.

"More than 70 percent of children killed in automobile accidents would have lived if they had been properly secured in a safety seat," the press release proclaims. Thousands of lives have been saved since states started making use of seat belts mandatory. Illinois passed a law in 1985. Since that law was passed, the percentage of users has increased from 16 percent to 66 percent. The state police will likely launch their "seat belt blitz" programs again this year in trying to improve compliance.

It is hard to argue against something that has shown the success of the seat belt law, but telling people they have to do something can lead to rebellion.

Twenty years ago this month, John Hill of Granite City was hospitalized for six days, spent weeks combing glass out of his scalp, months in physical therapy, and almost two years sore from a car wreck he was in on Interstate 270. Hill was a pioneer of sorts. Although most cars did not come equipped with seat belts in the early 1960s, he had one installed because "I thought they were a good idea."

In 1978 that good idea paid off when his car was struck by a speeding motorist and was sent plunging and tumbling off the highway before coming to rest on its roof more than 500 feet later.

Hill walked away and he still today advocates the use of seat belts.

All the catchy slogans, seat-belt blitzes and startling statistics in the world are not as compelling as the stories of survivors.

If you are traveling this weekend, please drive with care. Be sure to use your safety belts and don't take a child anywhere if he or she isn't in a safety seat.

Take the time

Memorial Day and the beginning of summer bring to mind thoughts of fun in the sun and lazy summer days. But take some time this weekend to turn those thoughts to the reason for the holiday. Even if formal services are not your thing or you don't have time to take in a parade or Memorial Day service, spare some time to remember those who have given the ultimate sacrifice when called to arms for their country.

School prayer, at exam time

Carol Clarkin writes this column for the Edwardsville Journal.

Last week, in a brief conversation, I made a passing remark which obviously surprised and probably shocked a man I've known and respected for a number of years. I hope I didn't offend him. Perhaps I did, and so, I'm sorry. But being sorry for offending someone doesn't change my opinion. It's just what it is — nor does it make me sorry for believing as I do.

In a nutshell, I said I agreed with the nation's Supreme Court in ruling against prayer at public school graduation ceremonies. I would never argue against prayer at a private/religious school graduation. The key word is "public."

And, I hope, it goes without saying that I respect the right of others to disagree with my personal opinion. In a lot of ways, that's what it's all about.

Taking the matter a step further, I have nothing against prayer or religion and am not a Moslem, Buddhist or Shintoist, as well as an atheist or agnostic. I don't think one has to be a Christian to be a moral person, an ethical person, or a good citizen.

Further, those non-Christian citizens pay taxes and those taxes go toward the support of the public school system — a system which, generally, serves their children, too.

Public prayer at a secular school event is risky and if it offends one student or one taxpayer parent, that's one too many.

There are plenty of places where prayer is appropriate, primarily at home and church. Best of all, probably, private and unspoken communication between an individual and the particular God in whom he believes.

Personally, I've always especially admired the method of worship of the Society of Friends — if not a single word is "moved" to speak out in Meeting House, the congregation can go home without a word being spoken but, nonetheless, uplifted individually. That, together with the fact that they let their actions speak for their beliefs and don't buy the "moment of silent prayer" at graduation, either, since it specifies prayer — though I could be persuaded if it were described as "reflection."

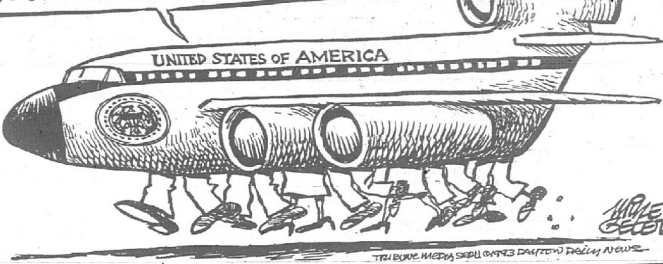
And, I don't buy the "moment of silent prayer" to the kid sweating under his robe and wondering, "How long is this going to take?"

In view of the very real problems facing our own school district — and, for that matter, all Illinois and nationwide schools — it seems to me that whether or not a prayer is part of the graduation ceremonies is the least of our worries. The district has opted to obey the law and the walls of our schools aren't going to crumble as a result. Nor will the community take a backward step, as prophesied by one graduating senior.

There is no law on the books that says any one of the graduating class may utter an unspoken word or two to God, and there will be some, at least, who will do just that, which is fine. It's their right to do so and it hurts no one. It may well help.

And if we don't take ourselves too seriously or worry unduly, consider the wisdom of the unknown wit who noted that, as long as there are final exams, there will be prayer in the schools.

MR. PRESIDENT, I THINK SOMEONE'S BEEN SKIPPING OFF THE TOP IN OUR TRAVEL OFFICE.



Best memorial: Utilizing our nation's freedoms

(By Roger A. Munson, national commander of the American Legion, the world's largest war-time veteran organization.)

The observance of Memorial Day offers an opportunity for all Americans to stop and reflect on the unique history of the United States and our rights and responsibilities as citizens.

As the national commander of the American Legion, I represent more than 3.1 million men and women who have served this nation during a time of war. We know first-hand the sacrifices that all of America's veterans have made to preserve our way of life.

Make no mistake: Memorial Day doesn't glorify war, for no one hates war more than those who've fought the battles.

To the contrary, Memorial Day glorifies peace by reminding Americans that we are entrusted with remembering those who paid the ultimate

Our guest

price so that our great country would endure.

Their selfless sacrifice spans the history of America, from the Revolutionary War to Desert Storm. These patriots left their homes and families when their country called and gave their last full measure of devotion in defense of freedom.

Today, in tens of thousands of homes, a carefully folded and lovingly preserved American flag rests in a place of honor as a token of a loved one's sacrifice for their country.

That flag, which once draped the coffin of a service man or woman, holds tears and a lifetime of memories. It offers pride to accompany the pain and sorrow of those whom the fallen has left behind.

It is fitting that we celebrate on Memorial Day the freedom that has been won and sustained by these fallen heroes. They answered their country's call, put themselves in harm's way, placed the welfare of their comrades ahead of their own safety, and put duty ahead of personal interests.

Their sacrifice must never be forgotten.

As we pay tribute to America's fallen sons and daughters, let us realize that the United States remains the envy of the world.

What is it about America that has drawn citizens of foreign lands for more than two centuries? Why do people to this day leave their homeland and risk death aboard rickety boats on the high seas to reach our shores?

The answer, of course, is freedom.

It's the freedom which the patriots of this country estab-

lished with their lives. Freedom of speech, freedom of religion, freedom of the press, and our rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, unique throughout the world.

Our Constitution, our great democratic process, has survived over the centuries while the unsound governments of many other lands are but the dust of history.

Our country has endured because it was founded on principles that are right and true and worth dying for.

Let us never forget that Americans have given their lives in defense of these fragile freedoms that we, in America, have the luxury of referring to as "rights."

Let us never take for granted what America's patriots have died to preserve.

Let us humbly celebrate these freedoms today. That is the best memorial.

Letters

Kessel improved parks, recreation

TO THE EDITOR:

In response to the recent dismissal of Steven R. Kessel as director of parks and recreation of the Granite City Park District, I would like to state approval of the job he performed.

During the period in which Mr. Kessel served the Park District, the following programs and activities were improved and/or initiated.

To begin with, the Recreation Department, under the supervision of several persons, it has grown to include many new baseball and softball leagues, among them ponyball softball for young girls.

The attendance and growth of the ice skating rink. Its programs continue to grow and become more popular as each year passes.

The rebirth of the summer recreation program. This has given the children of Granite City weeks of education, recreation and entertainment during the summer months.

New programs such as flag football, preschool gymnastics, cheerleading, self-improvement, and walking at the Brown Recreation Center. These and many others have been designed and promoted by Steve Kessel.

Also during the past seven years, the installation of new sidewalks in Sieveking Gardens and the new fountain, accompanied by a renewal of the beautiful gardens which grace Wilson Park.

Another program which cannot be forgotten is the initiation of the tree-planting program. This has provided for hundreds of trees to be planted and dedicated to citizens of our community.

The inner growth and strengthening of the infrastructure of the Park District, which the public does not see.

These programs have placed the Granite City Park District on a course to serve the community to even a greater degree.

This does not mention the installation of the popular Fitness Trail around Wilson Park and the passing of a bond issue to build a beautiful new swimming pool which will serve a greater portion of our community.

As you may be thinking, yes, each of the programs was implemented by various individuals of the community. However, without the guidance and support of Kessel, these programs would

not be where they are today. As in any appointed position, one must take criticism.

In this position, Kessel was in the position of being informed, and many times ill-informed, of the Board of Commissioners and the general public. The problems which Kessel was forced to deal with ranged from those dealing with employees to those dealing with complaints such as "the leaves from the park are blowing into my yard."

During the period I served the Park District, I managed the concession stands for six years, aided in managing the pool and the park district in several recreational programs, guided park trips to Cardinal baseball fields, and worked in the park district on numerous occasions. Because of my involvement in the park district, I feel I have the right to support the actions of Kessel.

Throughout his tenure, Kessel was forced to abide by many out-of-date and unconventional beliefs, mainly because "this is not the way it used to be done."

One of the more positive aspects of our community, Kessel dedicated his life to the betterment of the park district and our community, only to be dismissed by persons who disliked change and progress.

While throughout the history of the Granite City Park District many persons have served as directors, I can only hope that the Board of Commissioners can find a director who can lead the park district to the same level of success which Steve Kessel led our parks to during the past seven years.

LINDA A. BRINER
Granite City

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Later, I found out that it would cost \$7,000 for a commercial carrier to bring the tank here, a cost that the post could not afford.

People do not realize how difficult it is to acquire surplus war items, such as the P-47 fighter-bomber manufactured by Republic Aircraft and located at the entrance to Wilson Park in Granite City for the last 22 years.

It took five years of letter writing on my part and years to make arrangements for the huge helicopter to bring in the aircraft by air. It is going to be repainted shortly and updated, as required by the Air Force for all war displays of aircraft.

Recently, VFW Post 7451 acquired 10 military rifles to be used by the post honor guard. This required many months of waiting to acquire this surplus equipment. As with the aircraft, it must be maintained to reflect favorably on the armed services and not be left shabby in appearance. This is a part of the conditional deed of gift.

Next time you view any war memorial involving military hardware, you will appreciate what the veterans' posts have to go through to receive this equipment and what the equipment stands for — the defense of our country.

STEVE KONKOVIK
Granite City

TO THE EDITOR:

There still are no recreation facilities for the children of Pontoon Beach. There is a nice ball field on Sunday morning for the kids, but where are their parents? I have one more complaint. I approve of all the Sunday-school buses on Sunday morning for the kids, but where are their parents? This isn't just Pontoon Beach; it's the same all over Granite City.

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Lifestyle

Mothers, daughters are honored



Maxine Green

Maxine Green covers the Granite City and Nameoki Township area for the Press-Record/Journal. She can be contacted at 891-8281.

A mother-daughter banquet was held Thursday evening by members of the Calvary Baptist Church in Granite City Township Hall, 21 and Delmar Ave.

"A Light for My Life" was the theme and the tables were decorated with old-fashioned oil lamps. Pauline Weir gave a talk on Guiding Light.

The Giver of Light, a prayer, was given by Lois Bevins, followed by a delicious meal catered by Petri's Restaurant. Melodies were played by Sarah Clark and Jennifer Conway, a solo by Delores Bon accompanied by Valerie Stevens and a duet sung by Delores and Valerie. A sing-a-long was also enjoyed.

An inspiring talk on "The Real Life in Our Lives" was given by Irene Hoff, from the Winstanley Baptist Church of Fairview Heights. Dorothy Bostright gave a prayer on a continuous light. Decorations were made by Pat Wallis and Maxine Hoover. Hostesses were Norma Ross and Ruth Oagon. Carol Brandibas planned the program; Pauline Weir was chairman for the inspiring banquet, with 93 in attendance.

An open house will be held on June 3 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. in the Avon Office on Edison Avenue. The public is invited to attend and see all the new products.

There will be game booths, fortune tellers, fishing tournaments, and many more exciting things going on. There will be special drawings and refreshments for all.

The May meeting of the Lydia Circle of the Nameoki United Methodist Church was held in the home of Dorothy Ashford. Gladys Russell gave the blessing and a dessert luncheon was enjoyed by all. The business meeting was opened by President Mary Bailey. Secretary and treasurer reports were read and approved.

Dorothy Ashford, greeting card chairman, reported mailing one birthday card and one get well card. The group joined in singing "Happy Birthday" to Tharah Erney. Devotions were given by Tharah Erney, entitled "What Heaven Will Be Like," from the book, "Hope for the Troubled Heart," by Ruth Graham; and "I Let go and God's Blessing Guides Me," from the "Daily Word."

The least coin lesson, "Women of Faith Work for Change," was presented by Marie Long. Those present were: Tharah Erney, Mary Bailey, Ruby Gunderson, Leanne Holten, Marie Long, Gladys Russell, Pat Baumberger, and Dorothy Ashford. The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer. The June meeting will be a potluck in the home of Millie Clements.

The Phoebe Class of Calvary Baptist Church held the May class meeting Tuesday evening in the church. Henry Moser opened the meeting. The April meeting minutes were given and, under old business, a discussion was held on the Children's Home Project. Sizes and ages of the boys were given and it was suggested that each member send a card to Joyce Cahill, daughter of Lucille Cahill.

Under new business, Margaret Lowe made a motion to take an offering the first Sunday of each month and disburse with the class meeting offerings. Henry Moser made a motion to give \$5 toward the feeding of the hungry. Both proposals passed. The June meeting was planned with Mary Alice Weiss to give the devotion and Henry Moser to be in charge of refreshments. A devotional on the Lord's Prayer was given by Della Stephens.

The meeting closed with prayer by Grace Cruise, who included the blessing on the refreshments served by Elizabeth Phillips and Thelma Phelps to Mary Hoover, Lillie Roberson, Luella Prosser, Ida Kilmer, Della Stephens, Phyllis Knight, Grace Cruise, Margaret Lowe, Henry and Ruth Moser and Mary Alice Weiss.

'Everyone has made me feel welcome'

Foreign exchange student will miss her Granite City 'family'

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

Many teenagers dream of traveling around the world. Mathilde Pommier is living that dream.

"People are so open-minded and friendly here. Everyone has made me feel welcome," she said. She said that there are more similarities than differences between youths in France and America.

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processing of better profits and cheaper products have been decided by the government. It is now the root of many French problems, non-qualified workers feeling themselves useless," she said.

She said that "European quotas (that force thousands of farmers) to throw away their excess productions while a third of the world does not eat their fill" is another major problem in her country.

Mathilde, who once considered seeking a career in international diplomacy, will soon return to France to complete her senior year of school. French schools don't give credit for American classes, she says, because our education system is "different."

"The schools are much easier here, but also more interesting. Here you have sports and clubs, and the classes are interesting and fun," she said.

During a typical school day at home, Mathilde would attend classes in math, physics, biology, French, English, Spanish, Greek, history/geography and sports.

But the experience here was well worth the sacrifice of a school year, she said.

"Yes. Without hesitation. Mathilde, who witnessed a Presidential election last November and then a local election in April, said the political process — and the media coverage of it — is much different here than in her home country."

"If your president has an affair, here they put that on television. You couldn't do that in France. You can't put down the other candidate," she said.

Nonetheless, in the 10 months that she has been here, Mathilde has decided she wants to be a television news reporter.

"I like to talk. I talk all the time. I should put that to use."

When she leaves Granite City, Mathilde will tour the Eastern United States with other Rotary exchange students. The students will get an opportunity to visit Boston, Florida and the Eastern seaboard for three weeks.

Then she will return home to her friends and family.

"But I'll be glad to leave my family here."

The Granite City Rotary Club will sponsor another inbound exchange student, Sakimi Gimi from Naha, Japan, beginning in August. Host families are being sought.

To apply to be a host family, contact Gail Valle at 452-6207 or 877-7904.



(Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)

Mathilde's family, from bottom left, brother Matthieu, mom Suzanne and dad Anobel and Mathilde at the top of the stairs.



Rotary exchange student Mathilde Pommier of France, right, with her American host family, from left, Matt, John, Johnny and Gail Valle.

Being a host parent can be a special experience

The following article was written by Granite City Treasurer Gail Valle, who served as host parent for exchange student Mathilde Pommier of France during her stay in Granite City.

Unless you have been a host parent, it is difficult to describe the feeling of love and understanding that can develop between host parents and their exchange student "son" or "daughter."

In a very short period of time, this person becomes a member of the family. It is a relationship that should last a lifetime.

A host parent assumes the parental responsibilities of the student's natural parents. Because of this assumption of responsibility, there is a bond created between the two sets of parents centered on their relationship with the student.

By treating the student as part of your family, with all the privileges and responsibilities that accompany that relationship, the student becomes a permanent part of your family — not just a short-time visitor.

You share the experiences of the students as they learn about our society and family life, while at the same time you learn about their country, family, customs and beliefs. It is an education that cannot be purchased or acquired in any other way.

Hosting has its responsibilities, joys, sorrows and problems. But the rewards usually far outweigh the difficulties.

The greatest sorrow of the hosting experience is saying "goodbye" when the student returns home. But the relationship that has developed lives on.

By Pam Doepke-Hurd.

YOUTH FOCUS: How can you help save the environment?

Brandi Janitch, Niedringhaus School
"First of all, to save the world we should recycle instead of throwing away our paper and our cans. You should recycle everything. I also think if grown-ups have to go somewhere, but it's in walking range, they should just walk, instead of wasting gas. Also we should not throw our trash on the ground or in the water, because if there is trash in the water it will kill the fish and pollute the water so that we'll have no more fish to eat and no more water to drink. We also shouldn't cut down the trees because trees give us oxygen and paper."

Phillip Fitzhugh, Niedringhaus School
"We can help save the environment by buying high octane gasoline. We can cut down thick limbs instead of big trees for firewood. We can walk along-side the road picking up cans

and bottles, etc. We could also make big steel plants and put out so much smoke. Instead of using cars, we could start making three or four sealed bikes. That's how we could help save the environment."

Faith Yurcin, Niedringhaus School
"We can save the environment six different ways: 1. Ride bikes to places we need to go; don't drive cars as much. Because cars, trucks, etc., give off gas and gas pollutes the air. 2. Plant new trees after we cut them down. Because if we don't plant new trees, some animals could die. They wouldn't have a home to live in. Plus, trees take in bad air and gives us good air to breathe. 3. Pick up our trash and throw it away instead of throwing it on the ground. 4. When you buy a six-pack you can cut the rings and then throw them away because if you don't, ducks can get their

feet stuck in the rings. Fish can get their bodies stuck. But when you cut them, there's a better chance they won't get stuck in the rings. 5. When you buy something that can be recycled, like aluminum, glass, paper, etc., then recycle them so you can use them over again. 6. Having full force recycling. Everyone would have to recycle, especially in business and in school. They waste so much paper; we could save a whole forest by recycling."

Matt Schneider, Niedringhaus School
"To keep our environment clean you can recycle paper, plastic, cans, and lots of other things. If you cut down a tree, you should plant new seeds. You can also pick up trash and put it in a trash can. You can also use a carpool or ride your bike or walk."

Jamie Cassidy, Niedringhaus School
"Saving our environment is a hard job and we have to help. We can recycle our soda cans, milk cartons, and drink boxes. We can also recycle newspapers. When we are at the grocery store, we can use paper bags instead of plastic bags. We can use glasses instead of paper cups. When we travel and are not going very far, we can walk or ride a bicycle. This will prevent pollution. If we try to do all these things, the world will be a better place to live."

Elizabeth Stophotte, Niedringhaus School
"I think we should save our environment. It has helped us in many ways. First of all, we should stop littering our school yards and even our own yards are becoming full of trash. Our parks are beginning to look bad even though they have trash cans. Trash is getting into rivers, lakes, and ponds. Plastic is

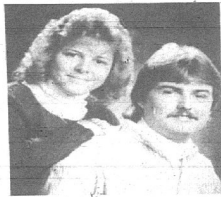
a big problem to water animals. It is getting wrapped around them to where they can't hunt or move. Pollution is a big problem also. Cars make 50 percent of the pollution. On school days, why not walk or use a carpool? Maybe you can take a friend to school or ride to scouts together. Another problem with pollution is mills. Why can't we do what they did in Pittsburgh or Philadelphia? They put their factories inside. One last problem is CFCs. CFCs are used in many different things such as hair spray and ice boxes, and other things. People that make things with CFCs say they will stop by 1995. That is two years away. Just think what it will be like by then. Many plants are dying and destroying our forests. Lakes, ponds, rivers, and oceans are polluted. The trees and plants provide oxygen and we are killing them. We need fresh clean water and air to live. So pitch in and help."

Engagements

Wilson-Charbonnier

Kimberly Kay Wilson, daughter of Larry and Sandy Detto and of Keith Wilson, all of Granite City, and Michael Allen Charbonnier, son of Bud and Charlotte Charbonnier of Granite City, have announced their engagement.

Wilson is a 1988 graduate of Granite City High School. She is employed by State Farm Insurance Co. in Granite City as a secretary, and by Glik's in Granite City in the credit department. Charbonnier is a 1987 graduate of Granite City High School and a 1989 graduate of Ranken Technical Institute in St. Louis. He is employed at Firestone in St.



Kimberly Wilson
and Michael Charbonnier

The couple is planning a Feb. 12, 1994, wedding at First Presbyterian Church in Granite City.

Weddings

Reynolds-Heuer

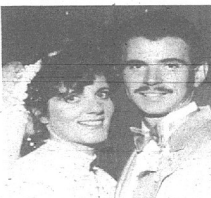
Carla Rae Reynolds, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenton E. Reynolds of Madison, and Vincent Lee Heuer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry L. Heuer of Granite City, were married Nov. 11, 1992, at Mount Zion General Baptist Church with the Rev. Alan Sikes officiating.

The matron of honor was Grace Ford of Madison, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Sheri Wilson, friend of the bride, and Jennifer Reynolds, sister of the bride. The flower girl was Eliza Ford, bride's niece.

The best man was Mark Yehling of Granite City, friend of the groom. The groomsmen were Matt Shemwell, friend of the groom, and Andy Reynolds, brother of the bride. The ring-bearer was Andy Ford, bride's nephew. The ushers were Randy Christy and Jeff Easley, both of Granite City.

A reception was held at Croation Home in Madison.

Carla, a 1986 graduate of Madison High School, has an associ-



Vincent
and Carla Heuer

ate's degree from Belleville Area College and is currently working on a bachelor's degree at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville. She is employed at 102D USARAF at Scott Air Force Base as a supply clerk.

Vincent is a 1986 graduate of Granite City High School and is employed at Matt's Muffler in St. Louis as a mechanic.

After a honeymoon in Cancun, Mexico, the couple is residing in Ponton Beach.



Johnny
and Sherrie Baker

Koelker-Baker

Sherrie Koelker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Koelker of Granite City, and Johnny Baker, son of Eugene Baker and Iona Holman, were married Dec. 31, 1992, at the home of Brother Wayne Shockley, who officiated the ceremony.

The maid of honor was Sara Koelker of Granite City, sister of the bride. The best man was Richard Carter of Granite City, friend of the couple.

Sherrie, a graduate of Granite City High School, is employed at Door's of Granite City.

Johnny is employed at Granite City Packing and Warehouse as a laborer.



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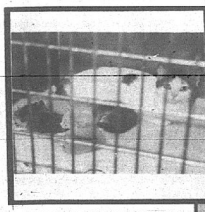
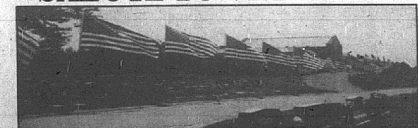


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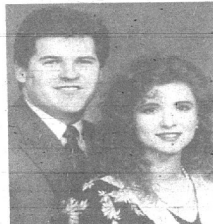
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Seemiller-Zabotka

Lori L. Seemiller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew C. Martin of Granite City, and Edward V. Zabotka, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward L. Zabotka of Madison, have announced their engagement.

Seemiller is a 1984 graduate of Granite City High School and is employed by Central Bank in Granite City as a personal banker.

Zabotka is a 1985 graduate of Madison High School and is currently attending Fontbonne College, in St. Louis, majoring in business administration. He is employed at Central Bank in Fairview Heights as a recovery specialist.



Lori Seemiller
and Edward Zabotka

The couple is planning an Oct. 2 wedding at St. Mary's Church in Madison.

Reynolds-Carpenter

Christy Ann Reynolds, daughter of Monroe Reynolds and Hope Palank, both of Granite City, and Scott Joseph Carpenter have announced their engagement.

Reynolds is a 1991 graduate of Granite City High School. She studied business for one year at Belleville Area College and is now studying to be a physical therapist. She is employed by ITT Hartford Insurance Co.

Carpenter is a 1990 graduate of Granite City High School. He studied criminal law for one year at Belleville Area College and then joined the Marines in January.

The couple is planning an August 7 wedding.



Christy Reynolds
and Scott Carpenter

Martin-Homyer

Karin Martin, daughter of Robert and Janet Martin of Orlando, Fla., and Eric J. Homyer, son of Ronald and Betty Homyer of Plainview, formerly of Granite City, have announced their engagement.

Martin is a 1990 graduate of William R. Boone High School. She is employed by Orange County Public Schools.

Homyer is a 1987 graduate of Granite City High School and is in the U.S. Navy.

The couple is planning a November wedding at Downtown Baptist Church in Orlando.

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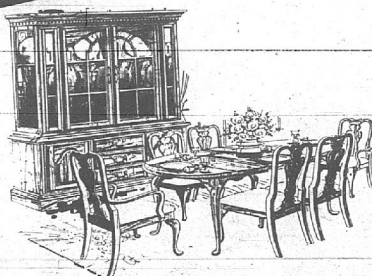
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Garden club reports on April, May events

The Garden Study Club held its May meeting at Shoney's Restaurant on Nameoki Road.

President Mary Mang called the meeting to order and Jean Holder led the members in reciting the Club Collect and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Secretary Mary Stonum held roll call and was answered to "Name a Shrub You Grow."

Clara Winter gave a check to the treasurer, Bonnie Rutkowski, for the proceeds of the May 1 plant and rummage sale that had been held at Winter's home.

The group announced activities and projects since April 28 meeting, including cleaning two flower beds and two herb beds at Six Mile Historical Museum grounds in the Junior Chamber of Commerce Slush the Trash Program. On April 30 the club donated and delivered two Pin Oaks for Arbor Day to the new Granite City Hall of Fame Building grounds in the back of the high school. May 1 a plant and rummage sale was held with proceeds going to buy more plants, shrubs, and trees. On May 4 the

group planted geraniums in pots on the back patio of the Branch Library on Pontoon Road.

In communications it was announced that the District V Workshop will be May 27 at Immanuel Lutheran Church Educational Building, 111 East Main in Mount Olive. Registration at 9:30 a.m. with call to order at 10 a.m.

Mary Mang reported that she had attended a seminar on house plants, April 27, at Florissant Civic Center. Guest speaker was Mike Albers of Frank's Nursery. He spoke on how to grow healthy house plants, how much water, sunlight, and fertilizer a plant requires. Mang won a potted plant as a door prize.

Program was read by Helen Meyer called Green World. Exhibit was brought by Clara Winter which was a birds nest fern.

Other members present were Christine Hornberger and Marie Oetken.

The next meeting will be 11:30 a.m. June 2 at Shoney's Restaurant.

Dr. Cris Cosas replaces retiring Dr. Dioneda

Family practitioner Dr. Cris C. Cosas, MD, recently joined the staff at St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

He will be taking over the practice of Dr. Frank Dioneda, family practitioner/general surgeon, who is retiring.

Cosas received his medical degree from the University of Santo Tomas in Manila, Philippines, and served a rotating internship at the University of Santo Tomas Hospital and the Womack Army Hospital at Fort Bragg, N.C. He then joined the staff at Womack Hospital.

He has been part of the Family Practice Residency Teaching Staff at Fort Belvoir, Va., and also served as director of primary care and community medicine there. Most recently before joining the SEMC medi-

cal staff, Dr. Cosas was the command surgeon at the U.S. Army Reserve Personnel Center in St. Louis.

"I cannot fill the shoes of Dr. Dioneda, since he has been here for 33 years, but I hope to maintain or perhaps make some improvements to the practice over time," Cosas said. "The staff and associates at the medical center have been very helpful and friendly. My goal for the practice is to provide quality care to all patients. I am truly privileged to be accepted as part of the staff at St. Elizabeth."

Cosas is a member of the Uniformed Services Academy of Family Physicians, the American Medical Association, and the Association of Military Surgeons of the United States. He is board-certified in and is a fellow of the American Academy of Family Physicians.

Cosas' office is in the Wolf Medical Building, Suite 1, 2044 Madison Ave. The telephone number is 877-2582.



New officers — Installed as new officers for TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) of Granite City for 1993 are from left: Venita Wadlow, leader; Glodene Van Scoyk, coleader; Ann Futrell, secretary; Sharron Rollins, weight recorder; Carmen Briedick, assistant weight recorder; and Alma Burnett, treasurer.

Police officer Sparks talks at Cub Pack 15 meeting

Pack 15 sponsored by Eagles Aerie 1126 held its April 15 pack meeting at the Eagles Hall.

Cub Master Richard Waltermann welcomed the pack scouts and parents.

Waltermann lit the Spirit of Scouting Candle and asked Den 1, led by Webelos Leader Jim Bledsoe, to present the colors.

Waltermann asked Mike Sparks, from the Granite City Police Department, to speak to the pack. The topic was "If Your Child is Missing."

He told parents that fast action by them and law enforcement is critical. He explained child lures used by abductors. A paper was passed out to parents by Sparks on clues and preventive measures to take. If all else fails you can reach additional help through "Search" in New Jersey, a child find in New York, and the National Center on Missing and Exploited Children in Washington, DC.

Waltermann asked advancement chairman Chuck Stokes to come forward to give their scouts these advancements:

Den 1 — Stephen Bledsoe, Jon Dickerson, Adam Johnissee, Michael Smith, Joshua Reyes, and Jamie Galivitsky all received Communicator Merit pins.

Den 2 — Matt Hayden, Walter Christiansen, and Billy Webb all

received three Silver Arrow Points each.

Den 3 — Robin Clutts Jr., Alex Guika, Gary Hughes, Darin Williams, Mark Ledbetter, Kevin Keeney and Derek Sanchez all received their Wolf Badges. Hughes also received one Silver Arrow.

Den 6 — Jason Brandon, Chris McMamany, and Andrew Hager, all received a Scientist, Showman's Sportsman pins and three year pin. Jeff Mellon, Naturalist, Readyman, Scientist, Showman's Sportsman, and three year pins; John Heck a Citizen Merit pin.

Den 7 — Nathan Ruebhausen received a Bear Badge, one Gold Arrow, and one Silver Arrow point; Shannon Shansfelt received two Silver Arrow points; Daniel Worthen received one Silver Arrow point; and Matt Heath received a Bear Badge.

Waltermann announced that the April 25 was the Lincoln Pilgrimage in Springfield, Ill. June 17 is Shelter 5 and the Pack 15 family picnic starting at 6:30 p.m. July 15 is Bike Ride at Frohardt School parking lot. Bring your bikes at 6:30 p.m. August will be a fishing derby at the Long Lake, date later.

Den 1 was asked to retire the Colors. Refreshments were served by mothers of Den 1.

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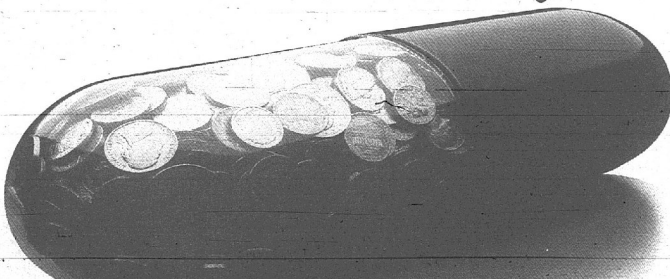
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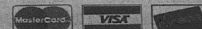
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Obituaries



Ralph Crone

Ralph C. Crone, 70, of Rantoul, formerly of Granite City, died at 1:54 a.m. Saturday, May 22, 1993, at his residence. He was born Sept. 18, 1922, in Kingston, Pa.

He was employed at J.M. Jones Co. for 17 years prior to his retirement in 1987. He served in the Army for 12 years before retiring in 1965 and was a member of the Rantoul VFW and American Legion posts.

Survivors include his wife, Dixie (Holt) Crone, whom he married Dec. 1, 1973, in Factoryville, Pa.; six sons, Leonard Crone and Denny Crone both of Granite City, Ralph Crone Jr. and Jimmy Crone both of Scottsville, Ky., and Erin Crone and Glenn Crone, both of Rantoul; five daughters, Wanda Strod and Reba Mahaney, both of Scottsville, Joyce Palmer of St. Joseph, Mo., Gail Chapman of Champaign and Chandra Cudiff of Thomasboro, Ill., two brothers, Arthur Crone of Breesport, N.Y., and Stanley Crone of Tunkhannock, and Hannel Smith of Rockport, N.Y.; 26 grandchildren and 32 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, George W. and Minnie B. (Weaver) Crone; one brother; and three sisters.

Services were held Tuesday at Lux Memorial Chapel in Rantoul with the Rev. Ron Mulvey officiating. Burial was at Danville (Ill.) National Cemetery.

Elvin Kendall

Elvin D. Kendall, 62, of Ocean Springs, Miss., formerly of Granite City, died at 4:55 a.m. Tuesday, May 25, 1993. He was born June 15, 1930, in Greenville, Ill.

Funeral services

Area deaths reported in this week's Sunday and Wednesday newspapers include:

COLEMAN, Goldie (Pashia), 84, of Granite City, died at 5:32 p.m. Friday, May 21, 1993, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. Visitation was held Sunday at Irwin Chapel, Granite City. Services were held Monday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church, Granite City, by the Rev. Bill Fisherkeller. Burial was at Calvary Cemetery, Glen Carbon.

DILLMAN, Ida M. (Maples), 79, of Edwardsville, a former member of First Baptist Church in Granite City, died Thursday, May 20, 1993, at St. Anthony's Health Center, Alton. Private services were held at Fletcher Funeral Home, Edwardsville. Burial was at Valhalla Cemetery, Godfrey. Memorials to American Diabetes Association or American Heart Association.

FINKE, Minnie Louise (Callender), 86, of Granite City, formerly of Madison, died at 8:45 p.m. Thursday, May 20, 1993, at Colonades Nursing Home in Granite City. Services were held Saturday at Irwin Chapel, Granite City, by the Rev. Bob Miner. Burial was at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon. Memorials to St. John United Church of Christ, Granite City.

GROS, Ethel C. (Ameling), 69, of Collinsville, died Wednesday, May 19, 1993, at home. Services were held Saturday at Edgemont Bible Church by the Rev. Doug White. Burial was at Valhalla Gardens of Memory. Belleville Arrangements were by Korus Funeral Home in Belleville. Memorials to Edgemont Bible Church A.W. and A.N.A. Club.

HODSHIRE, Mary (Spartari), 85, of Jerseyville, formerly of Granite City, died at 4:40 a.m. Monday, May 24, 1993, at Jersey Community Hospital, Jerseyville. Visitation and services were held Wednesday at Thomas Memorial Mortuary, Granite City, with the Rev.

He was retired from McDonnell Douglas in St. Louis, a member of Masonic Lodge 835, Eastern Star Chapter 432, St. Paul United Methodist Church in Ocean Springs, and a former song leader at First Baptist Church in Granite City. Survivors include his wife, Mary (Petras) Kundt; one daughter, Gail M. Shemwell of Ocean Springs; several brothers and sisters; and two grandchildren.

Services are at Bradford O'Keefe Funeral Home in Ocean Springs. Burial will take place at Restlawn Memorial Park in Ocean Springs.

Lerton Hunter

Lerton H. Hunter, 78, of Granite City, died at 9:45 a.m. Wednesday, May 26, 1993, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. He was born Dec. 12, 1914, in Granite City and was a lifelong resident. He installed carpet at Stephens Floor of St. Louis, for 40 years prior to his retirement in 1975. He was a member of Hope Lutheran Church in Granite City, Carpel Layers Local 1310, and a World War II Army veteran.

Survivors include his wife, Mayme (Voloski) Hunter, whom he married Sept. 25, 1936, in Granite City; one daughter, Toni Karharski of Granite City; two grandchildren; and one great-grandchild. He was preceded in death by his parents, Harry and Jessie (Sorewell) Hunter.

Visitation is 5 to 9 p.m. Thursday and 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday at the Werner Chapel for Funerals, 2939 Lake Drive, Pontoon Beach. Services are 10 a.m. Saturday at Hope Lutheran Church with the Rev. David Fielding officiating. Burial will be in St. John's Cemetery in Granite City.

Memorials are requested for Hope Lutheran Church.

Francis Tebanura officiating. Burial was at St. John Cemetery, Granite City. Memorials to Greenwood Manor Nursing Home, Jerseyville.

MAXFIELD, Mabel E. (Hellmann), 74, of Brees, formerly of Granite City, died Monday, May 24, 1993, at Carlyle Health Care Center in Carlyle. Services were held Wednesday at St. Dominic Catholic Church, Brees, by the Rev. Paul Herbaugh. Burial was at St. Dominic Cemetery in Brees. Arrangements were by Brees Funeral Home, Brees. Memorials to the donor's choice will be accepted at the funeral home.

McGEEHAN, Thomas F. III, 60, of Cahokia died at 5:45 p.m. Wednesday, May 19, 1993, at home. Services were Saturday at Kasky Colonial Chapel in Fairview Heights. Burial was at Mount Carmel Cemetery, Belleville.

MITCHELL, Odie L. Sr., 92, of Granite City died at 6 p.m. Friday, May 21, 1993, at Edgewood Nursing Home. Services were held Monday at Irwin Chapel, Granite City, by the Rev. David Tyler. Burial was at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon.

OHAM, Willard, 76, of Bethalto, a volunteer Pontoon Beach area firefighter, died at 7:33 a.m. Friday, May 21, 1993, at Wood River Township Hospital. Services were held Monday at Elias Smith Funeral Home, Bethalto, by the Rev. George Gude. Burial was at Rose Lawn Memorial Gardens, Bethalto. Memorials to American Cancer Society or the donor's choice.

PATTEBERG, Martin, 66, of Highland died at 5:25 p.m. Thurs-

Daughters of Isabella hold meeting

The May meeting of Daughters of Isabella, 805 East of Fatima Circle, was called to order by Regent Irma Manning. Chancellor Josephine Yurko, led the prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call of officers and reading of the minutes was by Dorothy Hoedebeck, recording secretary. Treasurer's report was given by Margaret Kwiatkowski. Stephanie Ruzic, financial secretary, reported membership of 62.

Scribe, Lucille Caban, reported on articles carried in the local press and the sending of four get well and one sympathy card.

Knight of Columbus Grand Knight, Roy Ponce, presented a newsletter about upcoming events including a 10 a.m. Memorial Mass was Monday, May 31, at Calvary Cemetery.

The circle received a new traveling volcano crucifix and prayers chosen by state chaplain, the Rev. James P. Keating and Mary Shepley to be said by different members each month for an increase to the priesthood. Eugenia Stanfill accepted the crucifix for the month.

Martha Kozuszek, Mary Horvat, and Lucille Caban were elected to plan the July 1 picnic which will be held in the Chambers Meeting Room at the Knights of Columbus Hall.

Father Casimir Kicmal, chaplain, is now back at Holy Family rectory and is progressing well.

Those attending in addition to those named above were Anneliese Gyarmati, Ann Pieper, and Cecilia Mance.

The next meeting was scheduled for June 4 at 7 p.m.

Trivia

The title First Lady of Heavy Metal is given to guitarist Lita Ford, a former Runaway and a Grammy nominee for her single "Shot of Poison" from the album "Lita." She will be appearing June 10 at Fornaszewski Drum Shop in Granite City.

May 20, 1993, at St. Luke's Hospital West, Chesterfield, Mo. Services were held Monday at St. Paul's Catholic Church, Highland, by the Rev. Rosey A. Schwartz. Memorials to the charity of the donor's choice.

PINNEN, Jessie Mae (McMahon), 78, of Edwardsville, formerly of Granite City, died at 2:20 p.m. Sunday, May 23, 1993, at Anderson Hospital, Maryville. Visitation was Wednesday at Irwin Chapel, Granite City. Services are set for 1 p.m. today at First United Pentecostal Church, 2450 Pontoon Road, Granite City, with the Rev. Kenneth Reeves officiating. Burial will be at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon. Memorials to First United Pentecostal Church.

REED, Ira, 72, of Madison died at 1:40 p.m. Thursday, May 20, 1993, at Barnes Hospital, St. Louis. Services were held Tuesday at Friendship Baptist Church, Madison, by the Rev. Lawrence Nash. Burial was at Sunset Gardens of Memory, Millstadt. Arrangements were by Officer Funeral Home, East St. Louis.

SPRAJCAR, Edward, 79, of Granite City died at 6:30 a.m. Sunday, May 23, 1993, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. Services were held Tuesday at Thomas Memorial Mortuary, Granite City, by the Rev. Casimir Kicmal. Burial was at Calvary Cemetery, Glen Carbon.

SWINDLE, Hobson, 86, of Granite City died 10:27 a.m. Thursday, May 20, 1993, at home. There was no funeral. His remains were donated to Washington University School of Medicine. Arrangements were by Thomas Memorial Mortuary, Granite City.

Investigate

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City — almost its entire department is part-time," Bridick said. He said the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police has long fought for legislation, pending again this year, that would require part-time officers to complete the same 400-hour training required for full-time officers.

"My men all have 400 hours of training and these part-time guys, with only 40 hours, are out there with the same powers to make arrests," Bridick said.

"It's not a good situation," Venice, Police Chief James Bennett said Wednesday that his department has three part-time officers who are not state qualified.

He said those officers are usually limited to desk duty, but that they have "occasionally been used on patrol."

"Understand (Madison's) concern about liability," Bennett said. "The solution is for me to tell these (part-time) officers

they are not to respond outside the city limits of Venice. I am making that the policy right now."

Bennett said department policy already prohibits those part-time officers from participating in high-speed chases or other activities likely to take them outside the city.

"I'll just make sure they don't leave the city at all," Bennett said.

Following a lengthy closed session, the aldermen voted to give the Street and Alley Committee, chaired by Alderman Ron Gryzwacz, subpoena powers to investigate records at Venice Township concerning the employment of Madison Street Department employee Bert Armour.

Armour, a 19-year city employee, has been on sick leave from the department since March 1. He is the husband of Alderman Eleanor Armour.

Gryzwacz said that, during a review of street department operations, begun after he was appointed Street and Alley chair-

man May 11, he discovered that Bert Armour "may have also been employed" by Venice Township for about a year and "may have continued to work" there while on sick leave from the city.

Bert Armour said Wednesday that he had no comment on the matter and said, "I guess the only thing I can do is wait and see what shakes out."

Alderman Mike Vrabec asked why, since the township is a public body with public records, it was necessary to grant the committee subpoena powers.

City Attorney Casper Nighossian said, "All public records are not public."

Nighossian said an additional advantage of having a subpoena is that it gives the committee the right to also make a person from the township both provide and explain the records.

A motion to grant the committee subpoena powers was approved 7-0 with Eleanor Armour voting "present."

Alleys

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15, in West Madison, which Alderman Norris Horton said drew between 75 and 100 people who picked up trash and cleaned the alleys.

For the cleanup, Gryzwacz said his committee went to the street department and asked all five employees to volunteer to work that Saturday morning on the department's high lift and tandem truck.

Although they were offered time-and-a-half pay, no one volunteered, he said.

"Fortunately, we were bailed out by Waste Management, which agreed to give us two off-site dumpsters and trucked them to West Madison," Gryzwacz said.

"But obviously it would have been better if we had our own guys truck it directly to the landfill, as we had originally planned."

In the meeting, at Gryzwacz's request, the aldermen voted to go into closed session to discuss problems with the street department, including personnel.

Gryzwacz asked Robbins, who

has not yet been reappointed by Bellico, to "hang close by in case we need you for questions."

On Wednesday, Bellico said that, after the closed discussion, "I am sure that our street department is headed in the right direction."

"I want to assure all of the citizens of Madison that the alleys will be cleaned and the street department will be back to providing the level of service the citizens have been accustomed to, and deserve, very, very shortly," he said.

Red Cross offers revised courses

The Tri-City Chapter of the American Red Cross is offering courses to the public along with newly-revised CPR and first aid courses.

The two new courses deal with orienting volunteers to the Red Cross and disaster preparedness for families. The Red Cross will also begin offering newly-revised CPR and some first aid techniques.

The American Red Cross recently announced the release of the newly-designed, state-of-the-art CPR and first aid materials for new courses, which are targeted to laypersons as well as professionals. The content and approach of these courses is based on the recommendations of the 1992 National Conference on CPR and Emergency Cardiac Care.

The recommendations were discussed during the conference in February 1992 and then published in the Journal of American Medical Association last October 28. The American Red Cross was heavily involved with the planning of the conference and the writing of certain sections of the recommendations.

The 1992 conference resulted in a strong consensus for several major changes in the CPR technique, as well as the way it is taught. The new Red Cross courses will be more customer-oriented, with an emphasis on flexibility and simplification.

In all, 19 changes were recommended for changes in CPR technique or the way it is taught. The most significant change is the notification of the Emergency Medical System immediately after determining unresponsiveness in an adult instead of conducting a primary survey, which includes checking for breathing and pulse before calling.

The rationale behind this comes from the need to have defibrillation as quickly as possible to restart the heart and ensure survival. Other changes concern the number of abdominal thrusts given to an adult during a choking emergency, the number of back blows and chest thrusts given to an infant during a choking emergency, and the simplification of using one certain number, instead of a range.

The new Red Cross CPR and first aid participant's materials have been developed with the intent of reducing much of the apprehension and unnecessary attention to detail that commonly is associated with CPR and first aid evaluation and evaluation of skills and knowledge. Changes

have been suggested that will make techniques easier to learn and remember without sacrificing effectiveness.

The written materials are easy to read and are written at the 7th grade level. They are in full color and comprise a number of articles with pullouts and "FYIs" that participants will find helpful. The Red Cross still offers certification in CPR and first aid to those participants who desire it, but now will also offer the option of "audit" for those participants who do not require certification and do not desire to complete a written test.

Red Cross courses in CPR and first aid are comprised of three components. These components may be combined to create different courses or with some prior training may be taken by themselves. Component I contains training in Infant and Child CPR, but is designed to build upon the basics of Component I and three hours in length. A five-hour course in Infant and Child CPR is offered for anyone who does not desire the Adult CPR course. Component III contains training in the more traditional first aid skills and is three hours in length.

In all CPR courses, the student receives training in the notification of the Emergency Medical Systems (EMS), first aid for breathing emergencies or rescue breathing, first aid for an obstructed airway or choking, and CPR. In courses that include first aid, the student receives training in dealing with burns and shock, fractures, and sudden illnesses.

The American Red Cross also recently released two new courses dealing with volunteer orientation and disaster preparedness. Introduction to the American Red Cross is a 3-hour orientation course which introduces the volunteer to the mission and values of the Red Cross. New volunteers will be informed about the many different programs and

services the Red Cross offers to the community. This course will teach the structure, the voluntary nature, Red Cross funding sources, and of course, much of the history of the Red Cross movement.

The second new course being offered is Disaster Preparation and Preparedness.

These courses are offered to the community through the Tri-City Chapter of the American Red Cross, which is located at 3728 Nameski Road in Granite City. The Introduction to the American Red Cross and Disaster Preparation and Preparedness courses are offered free of charge to the community. All CPR and first aid courses are offered on a cost-recovery basis due to the amount and cost of the materials used.

Registration is now being taken for these courses, which are offered during the evening hours. For more information or to register for the course, you can contact the Red Cross office at 452-7184 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday thru Friday.

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Old Glory was the theme for this year's Blue and Gold held on Feb. 27 at Nameoki Methodist Church.

The decorations were in red, white, and blue, with glimmering stars hanging from the ceiling. Center pieces were made by the Cub Scouts. Ponderosa Steak House of Granite City hosted the dinner.

The Coast Guard from St. Louis presented the colors. Entertainment was performed by Summer Stage singing patriotic songs. Each Den did a skit to show their respect for the flag and the country. Scouts received Pinewood Derby trophies and ribbons.

Advancement awards are as follows: Nathan Fischer, Chris Kohl, Bill Mitchell, Matthew Thomasen, Ken Townsend, Jimmy Weaver, and Ryan Woodson all received Wolf Badges and Arrow Points. Matt Bryarly, Mike Bryarly, Matt Burris, Jimmy Conway, Josh Douglas, Jeremy Hawk, Ryan Herman, Bobby Jarrett, Bryan Kwitoshi, Sam Lewis, Jeremy Nighohosian, Brian Pailles, Ronnie Parente, Scott Pilger, Nathan Schneider, Patrick Subold, Ryan Sloss, Adam Stevens, Adam Willis, and Daniel Woodson all received Bear Patches and Arrow Points.

High school accreditation extended

Granite City Senior High School principal David Painter announced that the school's North Central Association accreditation has been extended through the 1992-93 school year following the review and approval of its annual report at the Association's Annual Meeting. Accreditation is for one year at a time and must be renewed annually.

The North Central Association, which was founded in 1885, is the largest of the country's regional accrediting agencies. It is a voluntary organization of more than 7,200 schools and 900 colleges and universities in 19 states, plus the Department of Defense Dependent Schools throughout

the world. Accreditation by the North Central Association ensures that the school is meeting the minimal conditions for effectiveness. By setting standards for basic operations of the school and by requiring a comprehensive evaluation once every seven years, the NCA stimulates the school toward continuous improvement. NCA accreditation helps build public confidence by providing evidence to the public as well as to other schools and educational institutions that the school is meeting expectations and fulfilling not only local standards but also those more widely accepted throughout the region and the nation.



Stepping out — Eileen's Steppers performed at the Granite City Township Hall for senior citizens' St. Patrick's Day corned beef and cabbage dinner dance. About 400 attended. The Steppers started with the chorus line dance from the Broadway musical, "Hello, Dolly," and finished with the "Don't Mess With Jim" line dance. Nelson and Bernie Hagnauer presented each lady with a corsage of white carnations with green shamrock ribbons. Those pictured are (from left): Candy Kawula, Roselee Hoelter, Ruth Lehne, Betty Smallic, Dorothy Hamilos, Betty Faye Vaughn, Eileen Lakatos, Margaret Kwiatkowski, Shirley Selmer, Eleanor Cook, Elizabeth Payne and Lucille Caban.

School briefs

Kult receives internship award

Lisa Christine Kult, a senior at Culver-Stockton College in Canton, Mo., majoring in accounting, has been selected to receive a Harris Corporation Internship Award.

The cash award, presented by Bill Kellner of Harris Corp., is designed to motivate students to participate in cooperative education programs that serve as preparation for career placement. She is the daughter of Robert and Judy Kult of Granite City.

Good citizens presented honors

Good Citizenship Awards were presented by the George Rogers Clark Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution to 16 senior students from all the high schools in Madison County.

Each year the SAR recognizes outstanding students who have demonstrated good citizenship and the high ideals of patriotism. The recipients, selected by their own school officials were hosted by the SAR in a ceremony at the First Christian Church in Edwardsville on May 12.

Local recipients were: Regan Hildebrand, Granite City High School; Antwon M. Gardner, Venice High School; and Michael Ferguson, Madison High School.

Cox earns associate's degree

Patricia Lee Coppedge Cox has received her associate's degree in business administration from Oklahoma Panhandle State University in Goodwell, Okla.

She is the daughter of Van Winfred Coppedge and Rachel Coro Coppedge, both of Granite City.

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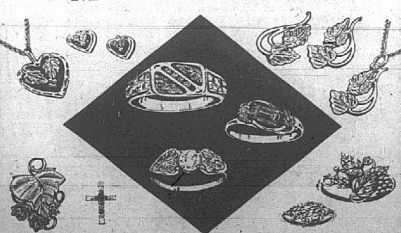
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Evening Circle holds meeting

The Evening Circle of the First Presbyterian Church met April 20 in the home of Barbara Landis.

Chairman Gladys Fuhrman presided and opened the meeting with scripture readings of Proverbs 3:5-6 and Luke 8:11-15 followed by prayer.

In the absence of Secretary Betty Rea, the minutes were read by Gladys Pape. June Jones gave the Mission Year-book of Prayer remembering the Presbytery of New Hope, N.C. The Fellowship of the Least Coin entitled "Faith and Action are Partners" was read by Betty Schmedake. Least coin monies were collected for dedication at the May Fellowship Day of Church Women United. The luncheon was held May 7 at the Nameoki United Methodist Church. The theme of this year's celebration is "Human Touch, Divine Healing."

The lesson, "Be Friends with God," was presented by Gladys Pape. Scripture readings from James 3:13-4:12 were used which emphasized that if people in the church are to be friends of God, they must be peacemakers called to make a difference in the lives of all God's people. The lesson concluded with prayer in union.

A recitation of the ancient hymn, "Jesus Calls Us" was given by Gladys Fuhrman and the meeting closed with the Mizpah Benediction.

Dessert was served to Florence Austin, Shirley Yates, Gladys Pape, June Jones, Gladys Fuhrman, Betty Schmedake, and Burdine Holtzsch.

Bryant graduates with high honors

Susan Bryant of Granite City graduated summa cum laude at Webster University in St. Louis in a special honors ceremony May 7 for undergraduates who earned academic honors. The ceremony was held at the Loretto-Hilton Center.



DAV officers — The new officers of the local Disabled American Veterans Chapter 53 are from left, Ed Roberts, commander; George Krpon, senior vice commander; Robert Pritchard, junior vice commander; Sam Daniels, treasurer; Lonnie Dye, chaplain; and Paul Cooper, adjutant. These officers were elected and installed at a recent meeting for the year 1993.

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is \$1. Friends of the Library members will have no admission charge. Admission is free on Saturday. The hours will be from 9 to 11 a.m. Proceeds of the sale go to help sponsor activities for the library's Children's Summer

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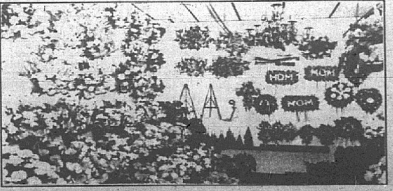
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Sports

Lady Warriors bomb Cahokia, 11-0 Granite City advances to sectional quarterfinals

By Tony Panozzo
Staff writer

The Lady Warrior soccer team passed its first test of the post-season Tuesday with relative ease, routing Cahokia 11-0 in the second round of the Springfield Sacred Heart-Griffin Sectional.

The Lady Warriors, now 13-1, advanced to tonight's game against Rochester. The game will be played at 7 p.m. at Benbow Field in Wood River, because Granite City's home field will be unavailable. Preparations for Friday night's graduation ceremony will be taking place.

The Lady Warriors will play Rochester for the right to move on to the sectional semifinals, which will be played Saturday in Springfield.

"WE'RE REAL happy with the team right now," Granite City coach Gene Baker said. "We're playing well."

The Lady Warriors had little difficulty with Cahokia, which defeated Metro East Lutheran in a preliminary round contest Saturday. The Lady Comanches failed to get a shot against Gran-

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Game 3: Wood River (14-3-3) at Springfield (16-4-1), 3 p.m.
Game 4: Quincy (16-4-9) at Quincy Notre Dame (19-1-2), 7 p.m.
Saturday, May 29
Game 5: Game 1 winner vs. Game 2 winner, 5:30 p.m.
Game 6: Game 3 winner vs. Game 4 winner, 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, June 1
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ite City and were outshot 23-0. "We wanted to be cautious and not get anyone hurt, because we knew they were physical," Baker said. "That team has had a good year. We wanted to keep our composure."

Cahokia held the Lady Warriors without a goal for the first 10 minutes, but it did not take much longer for the Lady Warriors to start scoring. They had a 4-0 lead by halftime and added

seven more goals in the second half. Michelle Knox scored the first goal of the game at the 13:49 mark. Ann Logan added a goal at 21:09. Brooke Bjorkman scored at 25:00 and Denise Dutko scored at 37:31.

KNOX BEAT
Cahokia goalie Kara Colvin with a blast to the top left corner of the net. Dutko beat three defenders as well as Colvin on her goal.

Defensively,

the Lady Warriors had little trouble. Play remained in Cahokia's end for most of the half. "The first goal by Knox was a beauty," Baker said. "She really controlled things on the field. She was very fluid."

In the second half, Kami Kessel continued the scoring with goals at 42:05 and 51:31 to make it 6-0. At the 14-minute mark, goalkeeper Stephanie Kull came out of the game and so did most

(See LADY WARRIORS, Page 4B)



(Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)
Lady Warrior soccer player Christy Costillo threatens to score in last week's game against O'Fallon. The Lady Warriors are one game away from the sectional semifinals, which will be played Saturday in Springfield.

State tennis tourney awaits three Warriors Carmody making second trip; Kumar, Markel to join forces

By Keith Farroll
Correspondent

After helping the team end its best campaign under coach Al Lobdell, three Granite City tennis players will continue their season today when they participate at the IHSA state tournament in Arlington Heights.

Senior singles player Jack Carmody, senior doubles player Sunil Kumar and freshman partner Joe Markel are looking forward to facing their best competition of the season.

THIS WILL BE Carmody's second trip to state. Last season, he won one match and dropped two.

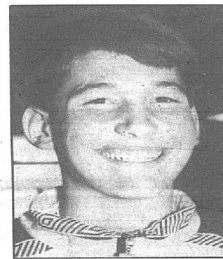
The tournament will run today through Saturday.

"I would like to win more than I lose this year, but the competition is so good up there," Carmody said.

Lobdell said that Carmody's solid style and last year's state tournament experience could pay off this year.

"If a person is prone to beating himself, then Jack will give him every opportunity," Lobdell said. "He knows what to expect. I think last year he was a bit overconfident. (But) I'm quite sure he'll be ready for every match at state."

If Carmody or Kumar advance to Friday's competition, a certain problem may arise.



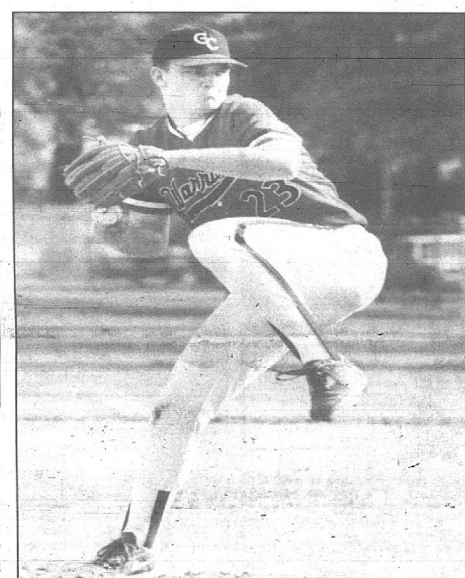
Carmody
Repeat qualifier

"I HAVE kind of mixed feelings if I did play on Friday, because we'd have to leave early to make it home for graduation," Carmody said.

Carmody's ticket to state came when he placed third in the Granite City Sectional tournament last weekend. The top four places earn berths to state.

Carmody said that Lewis and Clark Community College is his top choice for school after this year. He is also considering Belleville Area College.

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(Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)
Ben Hicks and several other Warrior pitchers hope to be on the hill Sunday at Busch Stadium.

Where baseball careers begin Granite City Park-District fields produce future sluggers

By Keith Farroll
Correspondent

When little leaguers Dal and Champ were starting their baseball careers, the odds of them making it to the big leagues were one in a million or even greater.

Now, Dal Maxwell, a Granite City native, and Champ Summers, a Madison native, are retired major league ballplayers. And one thing Maxwell and Summers have in common is that their baseball careers prospered from the Granite City Park District summer baseball leagues.

The Granite City Park District has given little leaguers the hope of making it to the big leagues for many summers. This summer is no different.

ONE THING that Park Supervisor Ray Hoffman said is the selling point to the kids is the pride it takes in taking care of the fields.

"Our facilities for the kids, I think, are the best around," Hoffman said. "We also try to

train our umpires. Most of them are juniors and seniors in high school."

At the park, there are seven diamonds, two of which have pitching mounds for the juvenile baseball division. So far this season, a combination of bad weather and poor field conditions due to the bad weather has resulted in 110 rainouts.

Baseball and ponytail softball leagues have been going on since May 8, and the season will continue until August. Approximately 995 area youngsters age 9-15 fill up the 48 baseball and 25 softball rosters. Most of the rosters are made up of the maximum 15 players, with some rosters using the minimum 13 players.

THE COST for a team to enter the league is \$170. Teams must find their own sponsor and must provide their own uniforms. Also, Pepsi-Cola hands out T-shirts to first-year leaguers.

The teams are formed by coaches whose job is to find the players. Potential prospects without a coach go on a waiting list for a

team looking to extend its roster.

Hoffman said that is one drawback to the system.

"Most kids get picked up, but some kids don't, and that's a shame," Hoffman said. "It's just because we lack the coaches."

The kids that do make it, in every level, get to play at least three innings. And at every level, except juvenile, the player is guaranteed at least one at-bat.

ANOTHER BENEFIT to joining the league is that there are summer tournaments in July that draw teams from throughout the bi-state area. The bantam tournament is slated for July 10-11, the midget tournament will be July 17-18 and the juvenile tournament is scheduled for July 24-25.

As far as the younger kids in the league are concerned, the first year of play for girls and boys is T-ball. In the second year, the girls remain playing T-ball while the boys have their coaches pitch to them. Thereafter, the players must pitch for their own team.

Super Sunday Warriors, Rams to meet in big-league territory

By Tony Panozzo
Staff writer

The timing could be better, but what a setting: Granite City vs. Mount Vernon, 9 a.m. Sunday at Busch Stadium.

Regional play begins this week, and both teams are eager to get the post-season under way. Sunday's game will give both teams a break from regional play, or it could come after both teams suffer elimination.

But neither team is thinking about that just yet. While several other area teams have visited Busch in past years, this will be the first time in a major-league facility for both the Warriors and Rams.

The game will precede a major-league contest between the Cardinals and the San Diego Padres.

"I think it's a great opportunity for our players," Granite City coach Bob Stegemeyer said. "We're all looking forward to it."

"All of our varsity kids will dress, and the format will be rather loose. We feel every kid should get a chance to play."

Mount Vernon coach Gil Bernard is taking the same approach. Other teams that have played at Busch have not counted the game as a win or a loss.

For most of the players, the chance to play on a major-league diamond will be the main issue at hand.

"We're really looking forward to it," Bernard said. "Our kids

School board names Lignoul

By Tony Panozzo
Staff writer

The Granite City school board met Tuesday and announced that Gus Lignoul, the assistant coach for the Warrior baseball team, will take over for longtime coach Bob Stegemeyer next season.

Lignoul has been an assistant on the varsity level for the past four years. He has been with Granite City for a total of nine years as a freshman, sophomore and varsity coach.

Lignoul was relieved to hear the news.

"I was very happy," Lignoul said. "I'm looking forward to it. It's been a very good program."

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are real excited. I think we're going to treat it like an exhibition game. I'm not saying we're not out to win, but we're going to play everybody and let them get the experience."

To play at Busch, teams are required to sell at least 1,000 tickets apiece. Both schools surpassed that mark with no problem.

Bernard said people in Mount Vernon are still asking him for tickets. Bernard said the idea

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Journal Writers' Poll Baseball

Large schools	
Team.....	Record
1. Parkway South (1).....	18-0
2. Edwardsville (2).....	20-5
3. Belleville West (3).....	19-6
4. Lafayette (4).....	16-4
5. GRANITE CITY (5).....	20-7
6. McCluer North (6).....	16-4
7. Belleville East (7).....	16-5
8. Parkway Central (8).....	13-8
9. SLUH (NR).....	15-3
10. Collinsville (10).....	18-8
Also receiving votes: Northwest, Francis Howell, Fox, McCluer.	
Small schools	
1. Lutheran North (4).....	16-4
2. Hancock (5).....	14-9
3. (tie) Rosary (2).....	12-3
4. (tie) Festus (3).....	13-5
5. Valley Park (NR).....	17-2
6. Aquinas-Mercy (9).....	11-6
7. Lebanon (3).....	19-6
8. St. Charles (NR).....	9-7
9. Althoff (6).....	9-10
10. Valmeyer (NR).....	19-11
Also receiving votes: Freeburg, St. Dominic, Hillsboro.	

Journal Writers' Poll Girls Soccer

1. Incarnate Word (1).....	17-1
2. Cor Jesu (2).....	14-2-1
3. Francis Howell North (3).....	19-9-2
4. Oakville (2).....	19-2-1
5. GRANITE CITY (5).....	12-3-1
6. Parkway Central (NR).....	14-2-2
7. Hazelwood Central (4).....	18-4-1
8. Aquinas-Mercy (6).....	16-3-3
9. Nixford Hall (6).....	9-10
10. Kirkwood (10).....	N/A
Also receiving votes, in order: St. Dominic, Rosati-Kan, Jesu, St. Charles West.	
Number in parentheses indicates last week's ranking.	

Trivial matters

1. The Warrior baseball team's last regional title came at Edwardsville in 1987. Before that season, when was the last regional championship for a Granite City team?
2. There have been 15 no-hitters thrown in the history of the IHSA state baseball tournament. What Metro East school produced the first two?

Answers at right.

Community Sports Calendar

Prairie State Games tryouts slated
Tryouts for the 1993 Prairie State Games Southern Region girls scholastic team will be held June 7, 9, 14 and 16 at the Edwardsville youth fields on Bluff Road at Southern Illinois University. The tryouts will go from 5-7 p.m. each day.

The cost is \$15, and the coaches will be Gene Briggs and Deana Wallace. For more information, call 876-4719.

The Prairie State Games finals will be held July 9 at the University of Illinois.

Coming up

Golden Girl
Madison High state champ Yukeltha Gardner (right) will be featured Sunday.

Gardner
Madison High state champ Yukeltha Gardner (right) will be featured Sunday.

Travis Anawara
In 1981, when Granite City North won its only regional, 2. Belleville's Leo Walters threw a 1-0 no-hitter to beat Peoria Woodruff for the 1987 state title. 3. Granite City's Rick Wagner won't Chicago Bowen 7-0 for the 1984 title.

•Busch

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for the game was first hatched last spring, when the Rams advanced to the Granite City Sectional title game.

"We've had great community support, and our players have done a real good job with selling the tickets," Bernard said. "People keep calling wanting to get more tickets. I wonder where all these people have been the past four months."

The Granite City end was handled primarily by assistant coach Gus Lignoul, along with athletic director Greg Patton and principal Jerry McKechn. Lignoul said he began work on the project last October.

Lignoul, who will take over for Stegemeier as head coach next year, said playing at Busch helps both teams in several ways. The game will raise community interest as well as mon-

ey for the two high school programs.

"We went to Bob with the idea last year," Lignoul said. "I told him with this being his last year, I would take the responsibility to get them there."

"It's a great fundraiser. That's the big thing. It helps your program."

Patton, whose son, Marc, plays second base for the Warriors, said Lignoul oversaw a project that will result in a game that will give players from both teams an experience to remember for the rest of their lives.

"He did the majority of the work," Patton said. "It's a great idea. We're looking forward to it. It's something all the kids will remember."

The players will get a first-hand look at what it is like to play in the major leagues. The Warriors will use the first-base

dugout, and the Rams will be on the third base side.

It has not been uncommon for Cardinals players to sit next to the high school players and watch. Both teams will have access to the dressing rooms. In addition, Cardinals vice president and general manager Dal Maxvill will meet with the Granite City players.

Maxvill, a Granite City native, plans to be in the dugout along with former Granite City baseball coach Al Lewis Sr. "I think one of the highlights other than getting the kids to play is they'll be able to meet Dal Maxvill," Lignoul said. "It's going to be neat."

Both teams, however, have other concerns this week. Mount Vernon opens regional play today, and Granite City begins the postseason Saturday. The Rams are in the Murphysboro Class AA Regional. They

have earned the No. 2 seed and will play today against Mount Carmel. The winner of that game will play Saturday against Murphysboro or Herrin.

Mount Vernon has earned the second seed despite its 10-11 record. The Rams have lost their past four games.

"Our past few games, we haven't been able to throw real well," Bernard said.

The Warriors, meanwhile, have earned the No. 1 seed in the Edwardsville Regional. The Warriors will play the winner of today's game between Civic Memorial and Jerseyville at 1 p.m. Saturday.

"We don't know what to

expect, because we don't know who we'll play," Stegemeier said. "I've heard Jerseyville has real good hitting, and Civic Memorial has a couple of good pitchers."

Granite City will be looking to defend its seed and advance to Tuesday's regional title game. The Warriors' last regional title came in 1987.

Stegemeier, in his final season, is optimistic but guarding against overconfidence. The Warriors are 21-7.

"We've gotten real good pitching and defense this year," Stegemeier said. "It all depends on how our pitching goes."

•Lignoul

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and I'm just going to try to maintain the high standards that have been established here."

Lignoul will also serve as Post 113's coach this summer. He has coached the American Legion team for the past two years.

Stegemeier is in his 20th and final season with Granite City. He has coached at both Granite City and Granite City North.

Before the season began, Stegemeier was inducted into the Illinois Baseball Coaches Association's Hall of Fame. His overall record of 353-236 includes three regional titles and a trip to the state tournament in 1979.

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Granite bowler heading to Kansas City tourney

For most high school students, reaching a state level tournament is the highest rank of competition they may ever face.

But senior bowler Frank Reyes has his eyes set on a national tournament — the National Junior Bowling Championships.

Reyes, a native of Crestwood, Mo., will represent the state of Illinois on July 14-18 in Kansas City at national competition in the boys majors age group in the scratch division. There is also a highly competitive girls' division.

But why is a Missourian representing Illinois at nationals?

REYES BOWLS in a league at Granite Bowl. After meeting people at various tournaments throughout the years around the bi-state area, Reyes has been bowling at the Granite Bowl for three years.

Reyes' path to the nationals started in Granite City. First, he had to get selected by his junior director, Shirley Byrd, at Granite Bowl to bowl at an area tournament — which was at Panorama Lanes in Belleville, where the top three advanced to state.

"I finished third," Reyes said. "Everyone was shooting terrible, but I was shooting a little better than the rest."

THE TWO-DAY state tournament was held at Granite Bowl. On the first day of competition, the bowlers rolled eight games. The top 10 bowlers with the highest cumulative scores on the first day qualified for the

In order to qualify for the tournament, a bowler had to have the highest running total of pins after two days.

"I was feeling pretty comfortable the first day," Reyes said. "For eight games, I bowled a 1764, which is about a 220 average."

That 220 average was enough to send him into the finals, but he still had some ground to make up.

"AFTER THE first day, I was in second place about 60 pins behind the leader," Reyes said. "No one thought anyone could catch him."

On the second day of competi-



Frank Reyes, a senior bowler at Granite Bowl, has qualified for the National Junior Bowling Championships.

tion. 10 bowlers rolled five games. Things weren't looking good for Reyes after the first three matches. He said he bowled about a 250 the first game before rolling a pair of 190+ games.

"I got on myself telling myself to concentrate," Reyes said. "I knew if I let my temper get to me, then I didn't have a chance."

Reyes rebounded to bowl a pair of 220+ games to close out the tournament.

"I DIDN'T THINK I was in the top five after those 190 games," Reyes said. "Then a friend told me that I was No. 1. It felt great. I couldn't believe I could do that. I thought I bowled against a lot better people."

Now Reyes, 18, a senior at Lindbergh High School, will start preparing for nationals.

"What I intend to do is get on a program where I practice everyday and work on stamina," Reyes said.

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Senior Olympians — Four women from Granite City won a total of 11 medals during the Southwest Illinois Regional Senior Olympics earlier this month at Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville. Pictured from left are Lou Hall, Helen Meyers, Pauline Hanson and Wilma Ostreska. Hall won a gold medal in the 1500-meter walk, a silver medal in the 1000-meter walk, a silver medal in golf putting, Meyers won a silver medal in the 1500-meter walk, a gold medal in the free-throw competition and a gold medal in putting, Hanson won gold medals in the 1500-meter walk and the free-throw competition and a silver medal in golf putting, Ostreska won a gold medal in the three-throws competition and a gold medal in putting.

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
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SPORTS

•Tennis

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The doubles team of Kumar and Markel will be making their first appearance at the state tournament. Lobdell said by playing at No. 2 doubles all season, Kumar and Markel had a chance at earning a high place at sectionals because of the lack of competition at that slot.

KUMAR AND MARKEL placed fourth in sectional competition. "I think if Lobdell knew that we were going to go state, then he would have let us play No. 1 doubles," Markel said.

One of the factors, however, that could hurt the team is the mentality of the pair. "Freshman can't tolerate errors from anyone else and seniors can't tolerate errors from themselves," Lobdell said. "Sometimes that's a bad combination."

Lobdell added he believes they can overcome the thinking game. He said the duo will be a team to be reckoned with.

"THEY COULD possibly do more than people expect," Lobdell said. "They could even sur-

prise themselves. They have the talent and could catch fire."

In addition, Lobdell said that they have the physical tools to be a force at state. Both Kumar, a lefty, and Markel, a righty, have 6-2 frames.

"Some people think that is an advantage because they can return serves with forehands," Lobdell said. "They can also cover an awful lot of court with their height. It's tough for opponents to hit around them and hit it over them."

After this year, Kumar, whose interest is in computer engineering, said that he is going to attend the University of Missouri-Rolla, which has a Division II tennis program.

"I'm going to see what classes are like, but I think I'll give (tennis) a try," Kumar said.



Senior sluggers — The Old Rookies, a 65-and-over men's slow pitch softball team, will represent Illinois in the Senior Olympics national tournament June 12 in Baton Rouge, La. The team, managed by Lefty Harris and assistant John Allen, began practicing indoors this year in February and are now playing at Wilson Park every Thursday. The team has been together for the past four years and last qualified for the national tournament two years ago. Pictured, front row from left: Lefty Harris, Pet Petrovich, Fred Miller, Ed Baker, Don Lloyd. Second row: Norm Burnett, Dink Morris, Al Schutzenhofer, Mike Tessaro, John Allen, Whitey McCommis, Ben Rose, Charlie Melzer and Babe Amelung. Not pictured: Gus Lignoul, Stan Serwatka, Ed Zabotka, Ed Hoff, John Palchiff, Les Thompson.



(Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)

Kami Kessel had two goals to open the second half in Granite City's win Tuesday.

•Lady Warriors

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of the other starters. The second team maintained the lead and finished up with five more goals. Valerie Hasty scored at 54:14, Penny Kreher scored at 58:18, Jill Haddix scored on a penalty kick at 60:18, Bjorkman scored at 74:20 and Kreher finished the scoring with a goal at 76:05.

Bjorkman, Kreher and Kessel finished with two goals apiece. The Lady Warriors bombed the Cahokia net throughout the game.

"They've been hitting the ball real well," Baker said.

Up next for the Lady Warriors is Rochester, which advanced by defeating O'Fallon. The Lady

Rockets are 10-3-1.

"Rochester is supposed to be a real physical team," Baker said.

"They will be competitive." The Lady Warriors are the top seed in the tournament. If they beat Rochester, they will advance to Saturday's sectional semifinal and play Collinsville or Springfield Sacred Heart-Griffin at 5:30 p.m. The sectional championship will be played at 7 p.m. Tuesday.

Tuesday's win was the sixth straight for the Lady Warriors. Kessel registered her fifth shutout in a row.

Park District to sponsor trip to Cards game

The Granite City Park District will sponsor its second trip for senior citizens to Busch Stadium on June 16 for a 12:30 p.m. game against the Pittsburgh Pirates.

The cost of the trip is \$9 per person. It includes the cost of a large reserved seat and bus transportation to and from the game. The bus will leave from the Wilson Park ice rink at 11 a.m.

In order for bus transportation to be provided, 25 tickets must be sold. Residents will have first priority for tickets, but non-residents may call the office 10 days after the tickets went on sale to determine if they can still be purchased.

The tickets went on sale Monday.

For more information, call the Wilson Park office at 877-3059 or 877-PARK.

•Reyes

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Stamina could be the key word for Reyes, who underwent rotator cuff surgery in January 1992. He was out for 6½ months before he could bowl again. His goal for the tournament is to up his average to 210. He ended the winter with a 202 average.

REYES SAID he would like to bowl in college. He said he is leaning toward Meramec Community College for next year, but he is also considering the University of Missouri-St. Louis.

With the success he has had so far, Reyes isn't thinking about the PBA just yet.

"I would probably like to bowl in a couple regional tournaments, but it's real unpredictable," Reyes said. "I would like to be an accountant where it is more stable."

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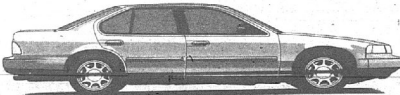
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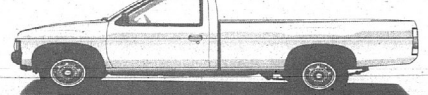
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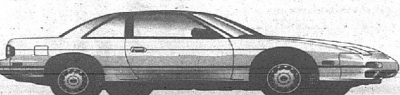
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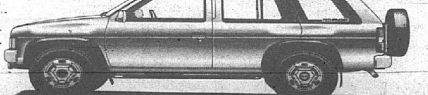
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Tickets remain for park district's one-day trip to California, Mo.

The Granite City Park District announces that tickets are still available for the one-day trip to California, Mo., on Tuesday, June 8.

The cost of the trip is \$21 per person and does not include lunch.

Burger's Smokehouse will be the highlight of the trip. This place is the largest processor of naturally cured hams in the United States. As many as 25,000 hams hang in 13 tiers for a year to age naturally.

They also process bacon and summer sausage. After the tour lunch will be at the Smokehouse where smoked ham, turkey, etc sandwiches, chips,

and soft drinks can be purchased.

After the visit to Burger's the group will travel to Versailles, Mo., to Weaver's Country Market which is a Menomonee store specializing in bulk foods of all kinds including spices, herbs, flavorings, cereals, Wisconsin cheeses, candy and other unusual items. A unique quilt shop owned by a Menomonee family will be the next stop before heading home.

Non-residents will be accepted on this trip at this time. Anyone interested or needing more information may call the Wilson Park Office at 877-3059.

Briefly

Estate seminar at church

An Estate Planning Seminar will be held at Johnson Road Central Baptist Church, 2033 Johnson Road in Granite City, June 2 at 7 p.m.

Residents are invited to an instructional seminar concerning wills, living trusts, living wills, powers of attorney for financial affairs, powers of attorney for health care, joint tenancies, and general estate planning.

The speaker will be Phillip A. Theis Jr., a local attorney, who will present various topics and then field questions from the audience. Hand-outs will be provided.

Fellowship officers to be installed

Installation of officers for Christian Women Fellowship of Central Christian Church will be June 3; at 7 p.m. in the Terrace Room.

Installing officer will be Lena Seitzer, assisted by Doris Edwards.

New officers will be Lois Bilbrey and Rudy Lelik, co-presidents; Isabell Ferguson, vice president; Helen Stumpe, secretary; Dorothea Ribenburg, treasurer; Andria Scott, worship; Sharon Caloway, study; Marge Kacera and Ruby Hart, service; Virgie Collins, reading; Dorcus Circle, Mildred Rees, circle leaders; Rutii Circle; Betty Ebrecht, Sarah Circle; Jo Stephens, hospitality and publicity; and Dodie Edwards, Joyce Bennington, and Lena Seitzer, representatives to Church Women Union.

A business meeting will be held before the installation service. All women members are urged to attend this important meeting.

Concert at Calvary Baptist

W. Elmo Mercer of Nashville, Tenn., called by the Zondervan Corporation "one of America's favorite gospel songwriters", will present a concert at Calvary Baptist Church in Granite City at 10:40 a.m. Sunday, June 6.

The composer of more than 1,600 gospel songs and arranger of thousands more, he will be guest pianist in Sunday morning service and will be joined by his wife, Marcia, in presenting special music.

Mercer wrote his first song, "A Glimpse of Jesus", at age 14. It was published by Benson Publishing Company of Nashville. After being a staff writer for 10 years, he served as music editor for over 20 years, retiring from Benson in early 1981. He has compiled and edited more than 105 gospel songbooks, including several in the popular "New Songs of Inspiration" series. His songs appear in many denominational hymnals as well.

Mercer and his wife travel coast-to-coast and border-to-border yearly (including Alaska) in concert and evangelistic services, and in choral clinics.

The "Singing News" calls Mercer, now 61, one of the "most dominating forces in gospel music today." Publishers, including Broadman Press, Lorenz, Brentwood, and the Zondervan Corporation (Benson), periodically release his works in varied form.

Church plans block party

The First Presbyterian Church held its Deacons May meeting on May 3. The meeting was called to order by Loren Davis, chairman, and the opening prayer was given by Dr. Lewis Trotter, pastor.

In attendance were Zig Konieczny, Charles Cross, Carol Miller, LeRoy Ebrecht, Loren Davis, Thomas Earls, Shirley DeCourcey, Ron Owens, Kathy Schooley, and Charles McIlvoy.

On May 23, the church held Heritage Sunday. This is when the church honors all 50-year members.

A block party is also being put together for the neighbors and church members. First Presbyterian Church is located at 22nd and Delmar in Granite City. Church services are at 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Annual race brings boats to Holten State Park

The St. Louis Thunderboats will be hosting its annual Memorial Day Weekend Race, "The Gateway Thunder," radio controlled nitro powered boat race on May 29 and 30 at their new race site, Frank Holten State Park, on Highway 111 in East St. Louis.

Classes will be A/B Mono, A/B Hydro, 3.5 Stock Tunnel Hull, 3.5 Modified Tunnel Hull, C/D Mono, C/D Hydro, 7.5 Tunnel Hull, E, Mono, E, Hydro, F, Mono, F, Hydro, Sport 40 Hydro, 1/8 Scale Hydro, and a "Run what you brung" class, up to 1.8 cubic inches.

Spectators are welcome, and admission is free.

Races start at 9 a.m. both race days.

For more information call Ron Rayl at 818/452-0499 or Ed May at 314/838-8358.

Madison '83 reunion Aug. 21

Madison Class of 1983 Reunion is set.

The Madison Class of 1983 reunion has set a date of August 21, 1993.

We are planning a nice dinner with dancing at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Granite City. If you have not received a survey of any correspondence from the reunion committee please leave a message for Tammy (Halliburton) Gruenfelder at 451-1477 or Tonya (Avila) Smith at 877-1835. If you already sent in your survey, you do not have to.

Invitations will be going out in June.

GCCHS class of '63 reunion planned

The Granite City Senior High School's graduating classes from January 1963 and June 1963 are holding a class reunion on August 7, 1993, at the Elk's Club in Granite City. If you have not received an invitation, help us find you! Please call Sandra (Boring) Koryak at 791-1772 or Deane (Hillen) Thomas at 656-5149.



"The Firm" stars Tom Cruise, right, as Mitch McDeere, an honors graduate of Harvard Law School who accepts a position with a small yet wealthy partnership, only to discover the firm isn't what it appears to be. Gene Hackman, left, co-stars as Avery Tolar, the firm partner who becomes Mitch's designated mentor.

Five favorites: Action, love top themes for summer movie fare

By Harry Hamm

Correspondent

It is estimated some 60 films will be released this summer movie season — historically the period between Memorial and Labor Day weekends.

There is good variety this year, with an emphasis on films that will appeal to kids and those in love. Here are my predictions for the five most popular films of the summer.

"Jurassic Park"

The advance marketing for this picture, based on Michael Crichton's best-selling novel, has been spectacular. Reptiles are packing the shelves at toy and specialty stores everywhere to promote this film about using dinosaur remains to regenerate the species.

Director Steven Spielberg is the best in Hollywood when it comes to making this type of escapist action film, with a sci-fi twist. "Jurassic Park" should be the biggest hit of the summer of 1993.

"The Last Action Hero"

Yet another big film for Arnold Schwarzenegger, but this softened script might be a "terminator" of another kind when it comes to the type of mega box office results Arnold has had in the past.

The story is about a little boy who goes to see Arnold in his latest film and ends up becoming part of the picture himself.

Less violent than his past R-rated efforts, "The Last Action Hero" is a PG-13, high-concept movie within a movie aimed at kids with big imaginations. However, some of the kids might find this less intense effort less satisfying.

"Sliver"

Another "revealing" effort from Sharon Stone.

This tale features Stone as a

tenant of a trendy New York apartment building where neighbors' snooping on each other leads to crimes of passion, sex, deceit and financial gain.

"The Firm"

Heartthrob Tom Cruise stars as a young attorney (this time, not in the Navy) who starts a promising career in a prestigious law firm in which crime pays and there is no leaving. Another film based on a best-selling book that, plus Cruise's name on the marquee, assures instant success.

"Cliffhanger"

An edge-of-your-seat thriller with Sylvester Stallone. Stallone plays a forest ranger whose timidity causes the death of a colleague. Now he's faced

with earning back his professional and personal pride. John Lithgow plays the villain.

Some films I predict will be major disappointments this summer are "Super Mario Brothers," (Why see the movie when you can participate in the video game?) "Dennis the Menace," (Where is Macaulay Culkin when you need him?) and "Made in America," a motion picture that will prove beyond a doubt there is no romantic on-screen chemistry between Whoopi Goldberg and Ted Danson.

Films I predict will be "sleepers" this summer include "Sleepless in Seattle," with Tom Hanks and Meg Ryan; "Menace II Society," another "Boy Z in the Hood"; and "In the Line of Fire," with Clint Eastwood as a Secret Service agent.

DUV Tent 92 makes fund donation

Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War — Aunt Becky Young Tent 92 — held its April 22 meeting with lunch at Shoney's Restaurant and business meeting at the home of president Mary Stonum.

Opening prayer was given by chaplain Florence Hildebrand and the charter was draped in memory of Irene Haug, a 54-year member. She also served as department president.

A contribution to the Grand Army of the Republic Living Memorial Fund Department of Illinois Daughter of Union Veterans of the Civil War 1861-1865 Incorporated has been made by Aunt Becky Young Tent 92 in memory of Irene Haug. Louise Thompson is a member of the Living Memorial Committee.

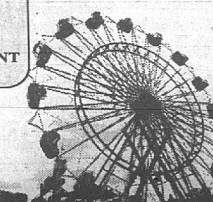
All repeated the Pledge of Allegiance, and officers for the ensuing year were installed by vice president Evelyn Ringering.

A letter was received from Andria Miller, department president, stating the department convention will be June 5, and the state convention held in the Lincoln Plaza Hotel at 101 E. Adams St. in Springfield, Ill.

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